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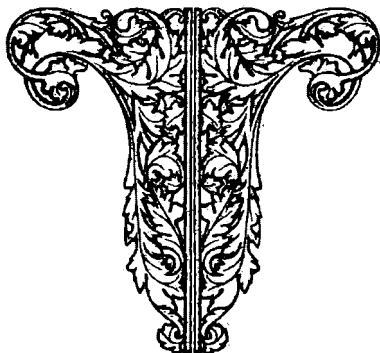
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# ARKANSAS BAPTIST ANNUAL



LITTLE ROCK  
1918

# PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# Arkansas Baptist State Convention

SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

(SEVENTIETH YEAR)

HELD AT

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

DECEMBER 11-13

1918



Next Session will convene on Wednesday after the first Sunday  
in December, 1919, at 10:00 o'clock, a. m., with the First  
Baptist Church, Stuttgart, Arkansas.



Preacher of Annual Sermon  
B. V. FERGUSON, Fort Smith  
Alternate, E. P. J. GARROTT, Heber Springs.

## OFFICERS OF THE CONVENTION.

President.....	L. E. Barton.....	Fayetteville
Vice Presidents.....	{ Judge Carroll D. Wood.....	Little Rock
	{ Dr. J. P. Runyan.....	Little Rock
Secretary.....	Doak Campbell.....	Conway
Treasurer.....	Dr. J. P. Runyan.....	Little Rock
Auditor.....	H. G. Pugh.....	Little Rock

## EXECUTIVE BOARD.

### Members at Large Whose Term of Office Expires at the Meeting of the Convention in 1919.

W. C. Wood, Pine Bluff	H. G. Pugh, Little Rock
V. C. Neal, Morrilton	E. P. J. Garrott, Heber Springs
E. P. Alldredge, Little Rock	C. E. Dicken, Arkadelphia
John Ayers, Fort Smith	J. W. Conger, Conway
G. W. Puryear, Jonesboro	J. R. G. White, Forrest City

### Associational Members Whose Term of Office Expires at the Meeting of the Convention in 1919.

Big Creek—O. E. Ellis	Carey—G. M. Ford
Buckville—J. W. Sheppard	Harmony—I. N. Moore
Caroline—R. P. Bain	Madison County—E. N. Owen
Current River—L. W. Russell	Ouachita—W. L. Smith
Washington County— L. E. Barton	Pine Bluff—W. M. Kelley
Gainesville—M. H. Potter	Spring River—J. Ed Moore
Hope—A. Fox	White River—H. D. Morton
	Russellville—Dr. M. E. Burgess

### Members at Large Whose Term of Office Expires at the Meeting of the Convention in 1920.

W. A. Forbes, Prescott	T. H. Plemmons, Helena
C. D. Wood, Jr., Monticello	G. L. Boles, Lonoke
O. J. Wade, Texarkana	W. E. Atkinson, Clarksville
J. E. Brown, Augusta	J. Frank Jones, Conway
J. R. Hobbs, Jonesboro	C. B. Waller, Little Rock

### Associational Members Whose Term of Office Expires at the Meeting of the Convention in 1920.

Bartholomew—J. B. Luck	Howard County—N. R. Lewis
Blue Mountain—S. A. Lay	Liberty—W. M. Wright
Caddo River—I. D. Jones	Mt. Vernon—Henry Loewer
Clear Creek—E. Rawlings	Pee Dee—J. G. Mabry
Crooked Creek—W. W. Mackey	Red River—N. R. Townsend
Fourche Valley—J. T. Cumbie	Saline—C. F. J. Tate
Greenbrier—L. M. Sipes	State Line—W. A. Cummings
Black River—H. E. Kirkpatrick	

## Members at Large Whose Term of Office Expires at the Meeting of the Convention in 1921.

T. D. Brown, Little Rock.	J. T. Howell, Little Rock.
S. W. Kendrick, Hot Springs	M. L. Voyles, Malvern.
W. K. Oldham, Lonoke.	P. C. Barton, Jonesboro.
B. V. Ferguson, Fort Smith	W. J. Hinsley, Booneville.
Dr. J. P. Runyan, Little Rock.	H. L. Winburn, Arkadelphia.

## Associational Members Whose Term of Office Expires at the Meeting of the Convention in 1921.

Benton County—Dr. B. C. Bain	Little Red River—
Buckner—S. B. Barnett	W. C. Johnson
Carroll County—A. J. Russell	Little River—J. T. Benson
Concord—R. V. Rowe	Independence—John Q. Wolf
Dardanelle—G. L. Veazey	Mount Zion—L. D. Summers
Friendship—H. G. Atkinson	Pike County—D. W. Cornish
Grand Prairie—J. T. Fowlkes	Rocky Bayou—W. H. Dillard
Pulaski County—Dr. J. H. Estes	United—A. L. Goatcher

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF OUACHITA COLLEGE

### Term Expires at Meeting of the Convention in 1919.

John Ayers, Fort Smith	E. P. Alldredge, Little Rock
G. W. Puryear, Jonesboro	W. C. Wood, Pine Bluff
B. F. Condray, Arkadelphia	*I. W. Cook, Arkadelphia
H. G. Pugh, Little Rock	W. F. Dorris, Monticello

### Term Expires at Meeting of the Convention in 1920.

T. D. Brown, Little Rock	Dr. W. R. Brooksher, Ft. Smith
Dr. J. P. Runyan, Little Rock	W. T. Cone, Montrose
W. J. E. Cox, Pine Bluff	Dr. J. H. Estes, Little Rock
C. D. Wood, Jr., Monticello	D. D. Glover, Malvern

### Term Expires at Meeting of the Convention in 1921.

R. N. Garrett, El Dorado	H. C. Fox, Pine Bluff
C. C. Tobey, Arkadelphia	E. M. Hall, Arkadelphia
W. N. Adams, Arkadelphia	W. E. Atkinson, Clarksville
J. R. Hobbs, Jonesboro	N. D. Huie, Arkadelphia

## BOARD OF MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

C. E. Dicken	J. S. Rogers	C. C. Tobey
N. R. Townsend	H. L. Winburn	*I. W. Cook
	A. M. Croxton	

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\* Deceased

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CENTRAL COLLEGE.

### Term Expires in 1919.

R. S. Boyd, Lonoke  
C. D. Wood, Jr., Monticello  
John Q. Wolf, Batesville  
L. M. Keeling, Stamps

C. F. J. Tate, Hot Springs  
J. Frank Jones, Conway  
W. F. Dorris, Monticello  
L. M. Sipes, Conway

### Term Expires in 1920.

J. N. Rachels, Searcy  
T. H. Plemmons, Helena  
W. B. Clayton, Conway  
C. B. Waller, Little Rock

G. W. Bruce, Conway  
B. V. Ferguson, Fort Smith  
J. S. Compere, Little Rock  
J. R. G. White, Forrest City

### Term Expires in 1921.

Dr. J. P. Runyan, Little Rock  
Dr. J. H. Estes, Little Rock  
W. M. Wright, Camden  
Dr. A. R. Bradley, Morrillton

L. E. Barton, Fayetteville  
John Ayers, Fort Smith  
Dr. C. E. Witt, Little Rock  
L. D. Summers, Blytheville

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## WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

### Officers, 1918-1919

President—Mrs. C. M. Roberts, Hot Springs.

Vice-Presidents—Southwest District, Mrs. J. H. Crawford, Arkadelphia; Central District, Mrs. O. O. Florence, Conway; Northwest District, Mrs. H. K. Wade, Fayetteville; North Central District, Mrs. W. B. Grant, Newport; Northeast District, Mrs. J. L. Burns, Jonesboro; Southeast District, Mrs. W. B. Sanders, Pine Bluff.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. J. L. Hawkins, Little Rock.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. J. G. Jackson, 404 Donaghey Building, Little Rock.

Office Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Elsie Harrison, 404 Donaghey Building, Little Rock.

Auditor—Mrs. W. C. Foster, Little Rock.

Personal Service Superintendent—Mrs. T. H. Plemmons, Helena.

Mission Study Superintendent—Mrs. W. E. Massey, Hot Springs.

Y. W. A. and G. A. Leader and College Correspondent—Miss Elsie Harrison.

R. A. Leader—Rev. G. L. Boles, Lonoke.

Sunbeam Leader—Miss Una Roberts, Conway, with Mrs. H. W. Roberts, assistant.

## MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

### Term Expires in 1919.

Mrs. W. J. E. Cox, Pine Bluff	Mrs. W. E. Kimbrough, Cabot
Mrs. J. M. Oathout, Little Rock	Mrs. J. S. Rogers, Little Rock
Mrs. A. H. Reaves, Little Rock	Mrs. C. P. Smith, Arkadelphia
Mrs. H. C. Fox, Pine Bluff	Mrs. D. M. Switzer, Argenta

### Term Expires in 1920.

Mrs. J. F. Choate, Little Rock	Mrs. W. R. Brooksher, Ft. Smith
Mrs. T. D. Brown, Little Rock	Mrs. W. C. Maguire, England
Mrs. J. L. Medlock, Little Rock	Mrs. C. H. Brough, Little Rock
Mrs. Robt. Carnahan, Pine Bluff	Mrs. J. C. Ross, Malvern

### Term Expires in 1921.

Mrs. A. Westbrook, Little Rock	Mrs. J. W. Conger, Conway
Mrs. E. S. Moore, N. Little Rock	Mrs. H. G. Pugh, Little Rock
Mrs. Leslie Brown, Little Rock	Mrs. F. E. Goodbar, Lonoke
Mrs. Frank Craeger, Helena	Mrs. W. E. Lenon, Little Rock

### Life Members.

Mrs. E. Longley, Little Rock	Mrs. J. L. Hawkins, Little Rock
Mrs. C. B. Davidson, Little Rock	

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## TRUSTEES OF MONTICELLO ORPHANS' HOME.

Dr. B. P. Kimbro, Monticello	W. T. Cone, Montrose
C. A. Wooten, Helena	R. F. Hyatt, Monticello
H. C. Fox, Pine Bluff	J. B. Luck, Monticello
C. D. Wood, Jr., Monticello	Mrs. G. W. Bottoms, Texarkana
G. W. Puryear, Jonesboro	Mrs. J. R. Allen, Pine Bluff
R. L. Deal, Monticello	

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## MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE.

E. J. A. McKinney, Little Rock	V. C. Neal, Morrilton
D. D. Glover, Malvern	C. F. J. Tate, Hot Springs
Dr. S. A. Scott, Little Rock	

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## TRUSTEES OF BAPTIST MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, MEMPHIS.

C. F. J. Tate, Hot Springs	C. L. Hammock, Marianna
R. S. Boyd, Lonoke	W. P. Hale, Osceola
H. Loewer, Wheatley	H. C. Fox, Pine Bluff
G. W. Puryear, Jonesboro	T. H. Plemmons, Helena
M. Culp, Harrisburg	

**TRUSTEES OF SOUTHWESTERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL  
SEMINARY, FORT WORTH.**

J. S. Rogers, Little Rock

L. M. Sipes, Conway

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**MEMBER OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD FROM  
ARKANSAS.**

E. P. Alldredge, Little Rock

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**MEMBER OF THE FOREIGN MISSION BOARD FROM  
ARKANSAS.**

T. D. Brown, El Dorado

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**MEMBERS OF BOARD OF BAPTIST BIBLE INSTITUTE,  
NEW ORLEANS.**

J. R. Hobbs, Jonesboro

J. W. Conger, Conway

H. L. Winburn, Arkadelphia

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The election of Messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention referred to the Executive Board.



# CONSTITUTION.

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## Article I.—Name and Object.

Section 1. The name of this body shall be "The Arkansas Baptist State Convention."

Sec. 2. The object of this Convention shall be to aid the churches in their divinely commissioned work of evangelization, education and beneficence.

## Article II.—Membership.

Section 1. The Convention shall be composed of messengers from regular Baptist Churches which are in sympathy with the principles and purposes of this Constitution, and which desire to co-operate with this Convention, and shall be entitled to seats upon presentation of their proper credentials, or satisfactory evidence of their appointment.

Sec. 2. Each church shall be entitled to three messengers with one additional messenger for every fifty members, or major fraction thereof, above one hundred.

## Article III.—Authority.

Section 1. This Convention shall never exercise any authority whatever over any church, nor shall it in any way interfere with the constitution of any church or with the exercise of its functions as the only ecclesiastical body, but will always cheerfully recognize and uphold the absolute independence of the churches.

## Article IV.—Officers.

Section 1. The officers of the Convention shall be a President, two Vice Presidents, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, who shall be elected annually by ballot, provided, however, that any officer of the Convention may be elected by acclamation if no objection is made; and all officers shall hold their respective offices until their successors are elected; and, provided further, that no one shall be elected to succeed himself to the office of President more than twice consecutively.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of the President to preside over the deliberations of the Convention, and to discharge such other duties as are usually incumbent on the presiding officer of deliberative bodies. He shall appoint all committees, unless the Convention shall otherwise determine, and in his absence one of the Vice Presidents shall fill his place.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a record of the proceedings of the Convention, and to file and keep in order all papers deemed important to be preserved.

Sec. 4. Officers shall be elected as soon as the names of messengers shall have been enrolled.

Sec. 5. All the officers of the Convention shall be elected by a majority of all the votes cast.

### Article V.—Boards.

Section 1. This convention shall elect an Executive Board which shall attend to the business and perform the duties of this Convention during the interim of its meetings.

(1) This Board shall be composed of seventy-five (75) members, one from the bounds of each Association, the remainder from the State at large.

(2) Upon the adoption of this Constitution one-third of the members of this Board shall be elected to serve one year, one-third to serve two years, and one-third to serve three years; but hereafter each member shall be elected to serve three years, the Convention annually electing successors to all those whose terms expire and filling all vacancies otherwise occurring.

(3) Fifteen members of this Board shall constitute a quorum after due notice to all members at least five days before the time of meeting.

(4) This Board shall co-operate with the churches in gathering and disbursing funds for evangelization, education, orphanage and hospital work, Sunday School, publication and B. Y. P. U. work, and whatever other work this Convention may see fit to engage in not otherwise provided for; except that, without specific orders from the Convention, it shall not be the duty of this Board to raise endowments for educational institutions.

(5) This Board shall report annually its work to this Convention.

(6) This Board shall employ an adequate force of agents and workers to conduct its business.

(7) This Board, upon the arising of an emergency, may change the time and place of the meeting of the Convention.

Section 2. The Convention shall also elect the following Boards, viz:

(1) A Board of Trustees of Ouachita Baptist College and a Board of Trustees of Central Baptist College, one-third of the members of whose boards shall be elected annually.

(2) A Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Baptist Orphans' Home, consisting of nine members, three of whom shall be elected annually.

(3) A Board of Ministerial Education, to consist of seven members, to be located at Arkadelphia, Arkansas, and to be elected annually.

(4) A State Executive Committee, consisting of twelve women, whose duty it shall be to distribute literature and to encourage women and children in systematic beneficence toward all the objects fostered by the Convention.

#### **Article VI.—Meetings.**

The Convention shall meet annually, "if God permit," on Wednesday after the first Sunday in December.

#### **Article VII.—Unalterable.**

This Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of the Convention, two-thirds of the members voting concurring in the measure, except Article III, which shall remain forever unalterable.

## LIST OF MESSENGERS.

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### Bartholomew Association.

- Dermott—N. C. Denson.  
Eudora—John L. Carter.  
Monticello—W. F. Dorris, C. D. Wood, Jr.  
McGehee—Miss Virginia Hawkins, E. W. Westmoreland, Mrs.  
E. P. Hawkins.  
Macedonia—M. W. Taylor.

### Benton County Association.

- Rogers—D. H. Truhitt.

### Black River Association.

- Imboden—J. W. Wade.  
Swifton—J. L. Johnson.  
Walnut Ridge—G. E. Henry, H. E. Kirkpatrick, R. L. Muse.

### Buckner Association.

- Midland—D. Davies.  
Waldron—S. B. Barnett.

### Buckville Association.

- Washita—J. W. Shepard.

### Carey Association.

- Fordyce—G. M. Ford, W. A. Journey, G. R. Tanner.  
Hampton—L. E. Holt, Mrs. L. E. Holt, W. K. Wharton.  
Sparkman—E. R. Daniel, Geo. J. McNew.

### Caddo Valley Association.

- Memdeg—Erma L. White.

### Caroline Association.

- Augusta—J. E. Brown.  
Cabot—W. E. Kimbrough, W. V. Walls.  
El Paso—J. R. Barnett.  
Lonoke—R. P. Bain, G. L. Boles.  
Pettus—W. K. Oldham.  
Searcy—Wm. Cooksey.

### **Clear Creek Association.**

Van Buren—Everett Rawlings.

### **Concord Association.**

Booneville—C. L. Hill.

Fort Smith, First—John Ayers, B. V. Ferguson, Mrs. B. V. Ferguson.

Greenwood—H. L. Waters.

Ft. Smith—Calvary, O. O. Davis, Mrs. O. O. Davis.

### **Crooked Creek Association.**

Jasper—B. A. Spradlin.

### **Current River Association.**

Maynard—Z. P. Freeman.

Reyno—W. A. Cummings.

### **Dardanelle Association.**

Plainview—J. I. Owen, Ben E. Smith.

Rover—D. M. Ballinger, J. E. Grissom.

### **Fourche Valley Association.**

Bigelow—J. B. Routh, J. C. Vaughan.

### **Gainesville Association.**

Paragould, Second—W. L. Weatherford.

Piggott—Geo. M. Dodd, Ed. T. Stovall.

Rector—T. B. Rouse, E. J. Teague.

### **Grand Prairie Association.**

DeValls Bluff—J. T. Fowlkes.

DeWitt—C. W. Fox, C. P. McGraw.

Stuttgart—H. W. Jean, John Ellis, M. F. Gathright, R. A. Henderson, J. C. Rhodes.

### **Greenbrier Association.**

Conway—D. S. Campbell, L. M. Sipes, J. Frank Jones, O. O. Florence, W. C. Hamil, W. G. Mathis, Mrs. J. D. Dunnaway, Mrs. J. R. Donnell, J. W. Conger, G. C. Turner.

Sulphur Springs—T. W. Day.

### **Harmony Association.**

Pine Bluff, Ohio St.—W. C. Wood, W. H. Fox, A. Mitchell.

### **Hope Association.**

Hope—Mrs. A. F. Cagle, Mrs. J. D. Cotton, Dr. G. E. Cannon,  
Mrs. G. E. Cannon, Miss Bennie Clayton, Mrs. J. D. Rhodes.

Magnolia—J. W. Barrow.

Salem—B. B. Hawkins.

Stamps—L. M. Keeling.

Stephens—J. F. Queen.

Texarkana—J. D. Sayres, O. J. Wade.

### **Independence Association.**

Batesville—J. Q. Wolf.

Newport—W. C. Mitchell, Mrs. W. C. Mitchell.

### **Liberty Association.**

Camden—W. M. Wright, S. B. Lide.

El Dorado—Miss Emma Riley.

### **Little River Association.**

Ashdown—C. S. Wales.

Nashville—O. A. Greenleaf.

### **Little Red River Association.**

Heber Springs—E. P. J. Garrott.

### **Madison County Association.**

St. Paul—T. B. Pruitt.

### **Mount Vernon Association.**

Brinkley—Mrs. Elmo Chaney.

Forrest City—J. R. G. White.

Helena—T. H. Plemmons.

Marianna—C. L. Hammock.

### **Mount Zion Association.**

Blytheville—L. D. Summers, A. E. Chapman.

Jonesboro—J. G. Harris, W. R. McEwin.

Luxora—LeRoy Ashley.

Osceola—G. H. Lewis.

Paragould, First—B. L. Bridges.

Wynne—W. A. Roper.

### **Pee Dee Association.**

Shady Grove—T. W. Harness, John H. Johnson.

### **Pine Bluff Association.**

Alexander—I. H. Pettus.

Benton—W. M. Kelley.

Pleasant Hill—D. H. Mashburn.

### **Pulaski County Association.**

England—J. T. Walters, L. M. Emerson.

Pine Grove—A. W. Brown.

Little Rock, First—A. M. Blankinship, G. E. Hilliard, Mrs. W. T. Hale, J. O. Johnston, S. E. Kirby, W. I. Moody, E. C. Nowlin, H. G. Pugh, Mrs. W. B. Potts, C. A. Riley, R. L. White.

Little Rock, Immanuel—E. P. Alldredge, A. H. Autry, A. F. Bruce, T. D. Brown, A. D. Beals, Mrs. E. E. Briggs, Gus Bush, Dr. J. H. Estes, Mrs. J. H. Estes, Dr. J. F. Hammett, Mrs. J. E. T. Holiman, W. P. Kime, Mrs. I. H. King, J. G. Lile, Mrs. M. C. Lape, Mrs. E. B. Levy, E. J. A. McKinney, Mrs. E. J. A. McKinney, Miss Gulnare McGuire, Mrs. T. M. Mashburn, W. F. Miller, Mrs. Levia Nixon, Mrs. J. M. Oathout, L. C. Sanders, S. P. Vaughtner, Chas. Butler.

Little Rock, Second—A. J. Ashburn, Mrs. C. M. Conner, J. S. Compere, Mrs. J. S. Compere, Mrs. Mary Davidson, G. W. Emerson, Mrs. W. C. Foster, Miss Elsie Harrison, Mrs. J. S. Herring, Miss Ursula Herring, Mrs. J. G. Jackson, E. P. Lee, J. P. Runyan, Miss Avis Reaves, Dr. F. C. Robinson, Mrs. F. C. Robinson, I. E. Taylor, Miss Elma Towe, Calvin B. Waller, Mrs. Calvin B. Waller, C. E. Witt, Mrs. C. E. Witt, W. H. Davis.

Little Rock, Third—C. E. Brown, J. T. Howell, J. B. Searcy, W. A. South, C. P. Walters.

Little Rock, Pulaski Heights—C. B. Maxwell, Mrs. C. B. Maxwell, J. B. Moseley, A. M. Rodgers, J. S. Rogers, Mrs. J. S. Rogers.

Little Rock, South Highland—R. L. Bivens, J. H. Reynolds, Mrs. Thomas.

Little Rock, Maple St—W. D. Joyner.

North Little Rock, Calvary—Mrs. R. G. Cammack.

North Little Rock, First—D. M. Switzer, Mrs. D. M. Switzer, G. D. Faulkner.

Natural Steps—T. F. Landreth.

### **Pike County Association.**

Amity—W. L. Compere, P. B. Langley.

### **Red River Association.**

Arkadelphia—C. E. Dicken, Mrs. C. P. Smith, H. L. Winburne.

Arkadelphia, Sweet Hill—Alex McPherson.

Emmett—J. E. Callaway.

Gurdon—C. G. Elliott.

Unity—T. A. Horne.

### **Russellville Association.**

Atkins—O. C. Alewine.

Clarksville—C. E. Painter.

Pottsville—D. B. Moore.

Russellville—W. M. Groom, W. W. Cox.

Union Grove—C. L. Hanna, Mrs. M. J. Hanna.

### **Saline Association.**

Hot Springs, First—S. W. Kendrick, Mrs. C. M. Roberts.

Hot Springs, Second—C. F. J. Tate.

Hot Springs, Park Place—Mrs. J. W. Godbaher, T. H. Jordan,  
Mrs. Emma Smith.

Malvern, First—D. D. Glover, M. L. Voyles.

### **Spring River Association.**

Smithville—Jno. M. Belbray, Jno. T. Helm, Chas. D. Tibbetts.

### **United Association.**

Formosa—Ben R. Stacks.

Morrillton—V. C. Neal, Mrs. V. C. Neal.

### **Union Association.**

Emmett—H. L. Callaway, L. I. Crank.

### **Washington County Association.**

Fayetteville—L. E. Barton.

### **White River Association.**

Mountain Home—H. D. Morton, Mrs. H. D. Morton, Mrs. M. E.  
Felts.

### **Unclassified.**

Bowden—W. H. Garmon.

Little Rock—J. H. Routh.



# PROCEEDINGS

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Little Rock, Arkansas, December 11, 1918.

1. The sixty-fifth annual session (seventieth year) of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention was called to order at 10 o'clock a. m. by President John W. Conger, of Conway, in the meeting house of the Immanuel Baptist Church, Little Rock, Arkansas.

2. Calvin B. Waller, pastor of the Second Baptist Church, of Little Rock, led in the devotional exercises.

3. Upon motion, it was ordered that all who knew themselves to be eligible to membership in the Convention be allowed to participate in the organization and proceedings of the body; and, further, that the Secretary's roll should be incorporated in the proceedings of the body.

4. Dr. J. W. Conger made the request that his name not be presented for re-election as president.

Vice President L. E. Barton was called to the chair. Officers of the Convention were elected as follows: President—L. E. Barton, of Fayetteville.

Vice Presidents—Judge Carroll D. Wood and Dr. J. P. Runyan, of Little Rock.

Secretary—D. S. Campbell, of Conway.

Treasurer—Dr. J. P. Runyan, of Little Rock.

5. G. D. Faulkner, of Little Rock, was elected Press Reporter.

6. Motion carried to adopt the program as outlined by the committee as the order of business, with the exception of the welcome address and response.

7. Visiting brethren were received as follows: T. T. Martin, of Tennessee; Dr. Carlton, of Oklahoma; Dr. W. T. Conner of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; Dr. Stout, pastor of Highland Heights Baptist Church, Memphis; Dr. T. J. Greene, war worker for the

Home Mission Board; Dr. Day, of the Southwestern Seminary, and Dr. Powell of the Southern Theological Seminary of Louisville.

8. Ministers who have come into the State since the last session of the Convention were introduced as follows:

W. A. Roper, Wynne; L. R. Ashley, Luxora; O. O. Davis, Fort Smith, (Calvary); Edw. L. Stovall, Piggott; Z. P. Freeman, Maynard; C. L. Hammock, Marianna; W. M. Groom, Russellville; T. B. Rouse, Rector; J. W. Wade, Imboden; Calvin B. Waller, Second Church, Little Rock; H. L. Winburne, Arkadelphia; O. J. Wade, Texarkana.

9. The following communication from the Arkansas Negro Baptist Convention was read. By motion, the Little Rock pastors were appointed as a committee to make a suitable reply.

To the President of Arkansas Baptist State Convention,  
Immanuel Baptist Church, City:

The Negro Baptists of this State very keenly feel the impact which you are making upon the civil society of Arkansas, to the extent of swinging things around in the right way. They also appreciate the full co-operation which you are sustaining among them to the extent of helping both their evangelistic and educational work in this city and State. They pray God's unstinted blessings upon you ever, and upon your noble efforts always. You can always count on them for every forward move you make toward the complete redemption of Arkansas first, and the world finally, from hierarchy, intemperance, and wrong in all forms.

JOSEPH A. BOOKER,

President of Arkansas Baptist College,  
Secretary Negro Baptist Home Mission Board.

10. In the absence of Brother Elledge as chairman of the committee on Orphan's Home, Brother Arthur Fox was appointed as chairman.

## WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

11. Song Service was conducted by Mrs. Coleman and several voluntary prayers were offered, W. L. Compere leading.

12. The following resolution was read by Dr. J. W. Conger, and motion carried that it be adopted. The President was instructed to send it to proper authorities:

**A Petition to the Peace Conference Which Will Assemble in Paris,  
France in January, 1919.**

Honorable Gentlemen and Patriots: We, the assembled messengers of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, representing a hundred and thirty thousand Baptists, and a constituency of half a million citizens of the State of Arkansas in the United States of America send to you this petition and memorial concerning the freedom of religion throughout the world. We believe, in the language of the Bill of Rights, "That religion, or the duty which we owe to the Creator, and the manner of discharging it, can be directed only by reason and conviction, not by force or violence."

We believe that all establishment of religion of whatever kind or creed is an invasion of the sacred and inalienable rights of conscience.

The world struggle just concluded, has been a war in defense of the principle that "all governments receive their just powers from the consent of the governed." This principle of freedom is even more sacred and inviolable in the realm of conscience than in the affairs of State. We deem it unjust and oppressive for any citizen to be taxed for the support of religion of any kind, and we appeal to you, as the arbiters of the world's destiny, to guard and conserve these inalienable rights of conscience for all men. We hope and pray that these weighty matters may have due consideration in your momentous deliberations, which will mean so much to the future of all peoples of the world.

13. The following resolution was read by Dr. J. P. Runyan, and was adopted by the Convention.

WHEREAS, The voters of our State on next Saturday, December 14th, will be called upon to adopt or reject the proposed New Constitution, and

WHEREAS, Article 14 of that instrument is pronounced by leading educators and those who have studied other State Constitutions, as one of the very best upon the subject of education of any State in the American Union, and

WHEREAS, Article Nineteen of the proposed Constitution

provides for absolute State-wide prohibition, which forever puts at rest the liquor question in this State. Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the members of the Baptist State Convention, recommend the New Constitution to the favorable consideration of our people.

14. The following paper was read by Dr. L. E. Barton, and was adopted by the Convention, with instructions that the president send copies to the President of the United States, Secretary of War, Mr. Keppel, John R. Mott, Senators and Representatives of Arkansas, and others:

#### **A DECLARATION CONCERNING VERY WEIGHTY MATTERS.**

There are times when it is fitting for bodies of Christians to make declarations of their convictions concerning civic, social, and religious matters. In our judgment, that time is now present. Our country has just participated in, and helped to conclude victoriously, the greatest war in history. The principles of democracy on which our government was founded, have triumphed in the overthrow of autocracy, which menaced the liberties of the world. Never was the individual so important as today. Never were the rights of humanity and the liberty of small nations so mandatory and insistent as at present. The torch of religious and political freedom, lighted by the burning bodies of our religious ancestors, has illumined the world. But we may gravely inquire whether this same liberty of conscience, which is the real father of political freedom, be not now in danger of suffering eclipse.

#### **World Conditions.**

The lands of Louis Kossuth and John Huss, are at last to come into freedom for which they have so long striven. The oppressed Balkans will be free states, to work out their own destiny. Russia, that is misruled by the red flag of revolution, and devoured by tooth and claw of Boleshevism, will come into a new day, as the kindly hand of Uncle Sam teaches the big baby to walk. The Russian peasant, who has been nobody for centuries, will wake up as Mr. Somebody, one morning ere long, and a hundred and eighty million of Russian freeman will shine as a brilliant star in the galaxy of nations. Poland, the Lazarus of the nations, who has lain, covered with festering wounds at the door of the world through the centuries, will stand on her feet with the luster-light of freedom in her eye, and enter into the potential future and fellowship of a liberated world. The rule of the unspeakable Turk is no more, and Palestine, which has so long been polluted by his abominable heel, shall have an opportunity to come back to the teaching and the cross of her prophet and Lord. Persia and Mesopotamia, the cradle of the human

race, will have an open door for the gospel of the Son of God. Glorious, immortal France, France the "effete" and "effeminate," as the world had slanderously called her, will have a listening ear turned to any message of the free gospel of Christ that American Christians may be loyal enough to send to her. Our proud and wicked enemy, humbled and broken and begging for bread at our hands, will recognize the justness of our defense of human rights and become amenable to the gospel message from our lips. A world is to be rebuilt. Nations are to be fed and taught. When Noah walked out of the Ark and looked on a desolated world, he saw no more distressful sight than we now behold, nay not a hundredth part so much, for he saw only the dead, while we see the dead, and have the living and starving to feed. Christ's command, "Give ye them to eat," never meant quite so much at any other time. The old world is dead of its own corruption, and whatever salvage comes out of the wreck of nations, must be effected by the gospel of the Nazarene. On July 31, 1914, the sun went down on a world that has passed away. The trade of the world will be on a larger scale. Methods of agriculture must be more intense and scientific. Education must be more vocational and practical. Diplomacy must be more open and honest. The horizon of our minds has been broadened by world contact and universal service. But let us not think that the victory of the sword has brought the triumph of the cross. It is a great thing to win the war, but the signing of the armistice is not the capitulation of the devil. Satan has not abdicated and fled into Holland, because one of his minions has done so. Sword thrust and cannon shot may open a great door of opportunity for the gospel, but they do not produce a world wherein dwelleth righteousness. Material means do not produce spiritual results. What the future world shall be depends on the churches of Christ. We are confronted with the greatest opportunity, and also the greatest peril that the gospel has ever seen. Our supreme danger now is the menace of littleness. A narrow vision will mean narrow plans and narrow service. The church or denomination that tries to patch the new cloth of present conditions on the old garment of pre-war status, is doomed to failure. Shall the church of God spend its life profiteering, when these open doors challenge us to the battle of Armageddon for the overthrow of hell's Kaiser, who seeks to dominate and damn the human race? It is a high handed wickedness to live a life of selfish ease and luxurious indulgence in such a time. A new consecration to the person of Christ, and dedication to His service, is the only salvation of the churches at this hour of destiny. How we need a revival in this day; a revival that will reconsecrate our homes, and call our sons to the ministry; and our daughters to the mission field; a revival that will purify the sources of national life; a revival that will put its hands on the wealth of the churches and turn it to the service of Christ's kingdom; a revival that will drive the money devil out of laymen, exorcise the demon of worldliness from women, and eliminate the beelzebub of laziness and littleness from preachers—yea, a revival of the power of the

Spirit of God in the hearts of His saints, that will mobilize the resources and vitalize the forces of His kingdom for the final grand onslaught to capture this world for Christ.

### **Religious Liberty.**

The birth of free government was in America. Rhode Island, founded by that great pioneer Baptist preacher, Roger Williams, was the first free commonwealth that ever graced the earth. Men fled from the tyranny of Europe to build a free state in the wilds of America, where they could worship God as they pleased. They suffered untold hardships and persecution to make that dream a reality. Our Baptist fathers bore a most honorable part in putting that trophy of freedom in the national constitution. They were patriots in the revolutionary cause of 1776, and received special praise from George Washington, the commander-in-chief. They were first to memorialize Congress on the subject of religious liberty. They came out of the unknown depths of history contending for liberty for all men—for others no less than for themselves. Bancroft says, "Freedom of conscience, unlimited freedom of mind, was from the first the trophy of the Baptists," and John Lock testifies that they were "the first and only propounders of absolute liberty, just and true liberty, equal and impartial." Liberty is the dearest birthright of all true Americans. The first amendment to the constitution, which says "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof," was the greatest triumph of all human government. We look with grave apprehension upon the government, through the War Department, functioning in the field of conscience and religion. For the Secretary of War to admit certain religious organizations to the army camps and exclude others, is prohibiting the free exercise of religion. For the government to seek to control and monopolize religious instruction in the army camps, through its chaplains, is a limitation of the free exercise of religion. In fact the very appointment of chaplains by the government is contrary to the spirit of the constitution, and a violation of the principle of separation of church and state. Where is the constitutional authority for the government building so-called "Liberty Churches" at United States arsenals, and appointing the preachers? 'Liberty Churches,' indeed. The very suggestion is a contradiction in terms. Gen. Funston's prohibition of revival preaching to the soldiers on the border is not forgotten. Is it not a violation of conscience, when the combined war work drive is put before us, which includes interests that some citizens cannot support, and then all the prestige of the government, and the exigencies of war are used to intimidate and coerce the citizenry into submission? This is no criticism of any who gave to it. They have their liberty, and none shall molest them. But those who were limited by conscience in the matter, were as free not to give, as others were to give. The literature comes bearing the slogan "Stand by the President," as if the President could determine a matter

of conscience for any individual. The proscriptive and intimidating methods that have in some instances been used to force unwilling contributions to this interest, are little short of blackmail, and constitute one of the worst forms of persecution. Those who have thought through these questions, know that the State has no religious duties and obligations to perform. The state cannot properly function in the field of religion and conscience. The statement of Dr. Keppel, Third Assistant Secretary of War, that "the whole desire and trend of the Department, is in the interest of breaking down, rather than in emphasizing, denominational distinctions," is an offense to every free conscience in America, and, in our judgment, one of the most objectionable and meddlesome utterances spoken by any public man in American life, in recent years. To put it bluntly, it is no concern of the state whether the citizen is religious or irreligious. The State's only sphere and obligation with respect to religion is to protect all men in their God given right to worship as they please, or not to worship at all. The State has no moral or constitutional right to foist a Protestant chaplain upon Roman Catholic soldiers, or a Catholic chaplain on Protestant soldiers. The word religion occurs only twice in the United States constitution, and one time it forbids the constraint and the other time the restraint of the conscience. The State has no right to use the tax money of the people to pay for religious services, for citizens who may not believe in religion have the same rights and immunities under the constitution as those who do.

### Remarks Concerning Christian Union.

The question of Christian Union is agitating the minds of men as never before. This would be a wholesome sign if the right basis were sought. There will be waste and loss so long as there is schism in the body of Christ. It is a grief to all real Christians that Christ's people do not see eye to eye and speak the same thing. We wait and pray for Christian Union on terms that will be honoring to our divine Lord. The deity of Jesus Christ and obedience to His inspired word are the only planks we need to include in our platform for union. What could be more simple and reasonable to the conscience of all that love Him? We stand upon the impregnable rock of Holy Scripture, holding out our hands of Christian love to all who are willing to unite on nothing other than God's inspired word. We love in sincerity all who love our adorable Lord, but our loyalty to Him will not permit us to neglect or ignore His commandments that we may have unbroken fellowship with Christians of other faiths. This is no time for talk of a union made in the workshop of business and commercial methods, though it would be good business sense to unite on God's word. This is a day when truth and freedom are abroad. This is a day when the world is to be rebuilt around the principle of democracy and individualism. Right and not expediency must rule. When the Christian world shall come to the New Testament teaching of a re-

generated church membership, as a pure spiritual religion, the baptism of believers, and the priesthood of believers as expressed in a democratic form of church government, there will be little trouble about union. It is unthinkable that the world should pour out such quantities of blood and treasure, in order to defeat tyranny and establish democracy in political and civil life, and then perpetuate soul tyranny in the form of sponsorship in religion. Now that kings and czars and kaisers are cast on the junk heap with worn out rubbish, will ecclesiastical rulers find their thrones built upon a rock? This is the Baptist day of opportunity, but we can enter the open door only by broad, true thinking, great consecrated unselfish living, and by generous scriptural unlimited giving of money to Christ's kingdom. Our tenets of liberty, equality, and loyalty to truth, are the rallying points around which a divided christendom can unite, without driving a sword through the heart of Him who died that men might be free, and we invite all who love Him to meet us on this Bible foundation.

15. The report of the Committee on Temperance was read by C. P. Walters and was discussed by ex-Congressman Minor Wallace. The report was adopted:

Your Committee on Temperance, begs leave to report:

We call attention to the fact, that the proposed Constitution of the State, to be voted upon on the 14th instant, embodies a satisfactory provision for prohibition of the liquor traffic in the State.

2. That the Congress of the United States has proposed a prohibition amendment of the Federal Constitution, which will come before our State Legislature in January next, with practically assured action for ratification.

3. We protest against the liquor now in the State, and demand enough organized effort for its suppression. And call on the Legislature for necessary legislation to that end; legislation that will reinforce the Anti-Saloon League of the State; and the civil authorities of the counties and the State, in apprehending the guilty and overcoming the evil.

Also for such enabling acts as may be necessary, in the event of the adoption of the New State Constitution, to make the prohibition article therein, operative, and for a policy of rigid uncompromising law enforcement.

4. Our progress for National Prohibition has been gratifying. Fifteen of the thirty-six legislatures necessary to ratification have formally ratified the National Constitutional Amendment.

Four of these ratifying, being "Wet," or, in other words, States without Statewide Prohibition.



5. With the continuing activities and zeal of our legislation, we may confidentially look to the year of 1920 to bring us the measure of "Dry America!"

6. We are gratified to note that the Anti-Saloon League of America has added world-wide prohibition to its National program, and that the convention of the world temperance representatives under its call, met in Columbus, Ohio, in November, (this year) and formulated ways and means for co-operation with the temperance units of our allies across the seas, recommending an international league for a world-wide drive against alcohol and for prohibition, for we consider this one of the first real fundamentals of security, and World Peace.

We hereby offer, as the sense of this Convention, our unflinching loyalty and support.

C. P. WALTERS, Chairman.  
A. H. AUTRY,  
C. G. ELLIOTT,  
GORDON HARRIS,  
E. J. A. McKINNEY,  
GEO. McNEW.

16. The following communication from the Anti-Saloon League was read by E. J. A. McKinney. Motion carried that it be received as information and be published in the minutes, and that the matter be referred to the Committee on Nominations.

#### TO THE ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

As Superintendent of the Arkansas Anti-Saloon League, I am pleased to report, that, while for the past year we have had no great local issues before us in Arkansas, except the Constitutional Convention, yet we have done much work with very satisfactory results. The prohibition article in the proposed State Constitution, is not only satisfying, but gratifying. The Constitutional Convention put itself on record with only one dissenting voice, as favoring the ratification of the prohibition amendment to the Constitution of the United States. The State Democratic Convention also unanimously voted in favor of the ratification, and we look for a unanimous vote by the Legislature, in favor of the amendment.

We have done much work in the way of law enforcement, in co-operation with the United States officers and detectives. We have not only provided information to the United States authorities, but have furnished money to them for special detective work.

Nationally, rapid advancement has been made. Thirty-two

States, including Ohio, with Cincinnati, the headquarters of the liquor business, have statewide prohibition. Fifteen have ratified the amendment to the National Constitution, five of them being wet States. The 32 dry States, with the five wet ones, which have already adopted it, will be more than enough to make the ratification complete, so we have every reason to expect ratification not later than 1920.

As a war measure, the Congress of the United States has provided that National Prohibition shall go into effect July 1, 1919, after which liquor for beverage purposes cannot be made or sold until our troops are demobilized. On September 30, by proclamation of the President, the distilling of whiskey was stopped, and by the same authority, on November 30, the brewing of beer was stopped, so that on December 1, the happy era began, in which there is not legally a drop of whiskey distilled, or a bottle of beer brewed in this great country of ours.

We respectfully ask you to continue your relations to the Anti-Saloon League, by the election of five representatives on the State Executive Board.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. THORNBURGH.

17. W. T. Conner, of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, read a report of the work done, and appealed to the convention to strive to solve the problem of Ministerial Education.

18. W. F. Powell, of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, at Louisville, Ky., spoke on the problems of the day and made an appeal for support of the Students' Fund.

19. The report of the Committee on Lord's Day Observance was read by M. L. Voyles. After discussion by J. T. Howell, F. M. Wells, and L. D. Summers, it was adopted.

We, your committee on Lord's Day Observance, have to report as follows:

1. One of the greatest and most common sins of the day, is the desecration of the Holy Lord's Day.

2. We have drifted, through the ages, until we now, under Grace, do with impunity, the things that would have astounded men under law.

3. John was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day. How many of our American people observe the Spirit of the Lord's Day?

4. We, your committee, recommend that this Convention go on record protesting against the following forms of breaking the Lord's Day:

- (a) Joy riding.
- (b) Worldly sports; such as hunting, fishing, and picnicing.
- (c) Keeping open of ice cream parlors and cold drink stands.
- (d) Popular amusements; such as dancing, picture shows, and ball games.

5. We recommend that the officers of law have their attention called to violations, regarding keeping open regular business on Sunday.

6. We further recommend that our pastors preach at least one sermon a year on Lord's Day Observance.

M. L. VOYLES, Chairman.  
O. O. DAVIS,  
W. M. COOKSEY,  
C. E. BROWN,  
J. T. FOWLKES,  
O. C. ALEWINE,  
MISS VIRGINIA HAWKINS,  
MRS. L. E. HOLT.

Committee.

20. Report of Committee on Work Among Negroes was read by H. W. Jean. After discussion by the negro Missionary, W. M. Brewster, and N. C. Denson, it was adopted.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WORK AMONG NEGROES.

There are about 10,000,000 negroes in the South today. These 10,000,000 negroes are free, and we must deal with them as our brothers. We must treat them as citizens, and make them feel that they are citizens. Since about one-third of the South's population is negroes, and they own millions of dollars worth of property, should they not be made to feel and take care of their part of the South's burdens?

We must confess that we have not done our duty toward the negro in the South. With this 10,000,000 negroes in the South there were last year only 38 workers, and only 20 of these were helped by Southern Baptists. Out of this 10,000,000 we can only count 3,000,000 Baptist negroes.

The negro problem in the South is not a commercial problem, but it is a religious problem, and this makes it a Baptist problem. The white Baptists of the South are maintaining only three negro evangelists, and are helping to support about 40

missionaries and only two teachers. Our State Board is endeavoring to help solve the problem, by helping to maintain a negro Missionary, W. M. Brewster, of Stephens, Arkansas.

But, the negro in Arkansas is the problem before us today. The best reports we can get show that the negroes in Arkansas own more than \$70,000,000.00 worth of property. They own and operate about 17 high schools and colleges. The negroes in Arkansas own one sanitarium. They own four Lodge Temples, worth \$233,000.00. They have only 12 weekly newspapers. They have 1,000 Baptist churches in the State, which are valued at \$400,000.00. There are 12,000 Baptist preachers; only about 800 of this number are pastors. With these figures before us, Arkansas Baptists are doing almost nothing for the negroes in our State.

Why should Arkansas Baptists neglect the negro in the cook-room, at the washtub, and on the farm, to do Mission work in Africa? The negroes of Arkansas are looking to us for the religious and moral improvement of their people.

The committee would recommend that we make our State Mission program large enough to put at least one able negro preacher in the field, who shall give all his time to evangelistic work among the negroes.

H. W. JEAN,  
N. C. DENSON,  
F. C. ROBINSON,  
W. A. ROPER,  
J. F. QUEEN,  
T. F. LANDRETH,

Committee.

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### WEDNESDAY NIGHT SESSION.

21. Devotional service was led by T. D. Brown.

22. M. D. Jeffries spoke in behalf of the Baptist Memorial Hospital.

23. J. P. Runyan reported on the establishment of a hospital in Arkansas.

24. Committee requested the President to appoint a committee to report to the next meeting of the Executive Board relative to the immediate establishment of a Baptist Hospital in Arkansas.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

WHEREAS, It appears to be opportune for the Baptists of Arkansas to own and operate a great Baptist Hospital, and

WHEREAS, In our opinion, no greater philanthropy can be thought of for Baptist people to contribute to, than the building, equipping and maintaining a Hospital. Be it resolved,

That, The president of this convention appoint a Convention Committee of seven members, whose business it shall be immediately to consider the matter of purchasing or building a Hospital, to be owned by, and operated under, the direction of the Arkansas State Baptist Convention, and that this committee be instructed to report at the next meeting of the Convention Board, and that the Board be given authority to carry into effect, the recommendations of the Committee.

J. P. RUNYAN,  
J. T. WALTERS,  
L. R. ASHLEY,  
B. A. SPRADLIN,  
J. H. ESTES,  
J. D. SAYRES,  
MRS. B. V. FERGUSON,  
MRS., C. E. WITT,

Committee.

25. The choir of Immanuel Church rendered special music, after which Carroll D. Wood, Jr., of Monticello, preached the Convention Sermon.

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## THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

26. Devotional exercises were led by L. E. Barton. C. P. Waters and V. C. Neal led in prayer.

27. A communication was read from the Arkansas students in the Southwestern Seminary at Fort Worth.

28. The report of the committee on Baptist Advance and Book House was read by W. M. Wright. After discussion by W. M. Wright, E. J. A. McKinney, L. D. Summers, P. E. Burroughs, and J. G. Green, the report was adopted.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BAPTIST ADVANCE AND BOOK HOUSE.

Since the days when the Apostle Paul admonished Timothy to give himself to reading, the public, in ever increasing num-

bers, has been heeding this admonition, until we can truly characterize the twentieth century as the reading age of the world's history.

This widespread reading tendency affords a magnificent opportunity for the accomplishment of universal good, and at the same time, constitutes a dangerous menace to the indiscriminating in the field of literature. Propagandists of every type, both of good and of evil, have recognized the value of the printed page, and are diligently and insidiously creating a constituency through the influence of the press. How to conserve the good and to mitigate the evil in literature, is a problem worthy of the Convention's profoundest consideration. By way of a partial solution of the problem, we, your committee, would recommend as follows:

1. That the second Sunday in June be designated as "Good Literature Day," at which time all of our pastors are urged to stress the importance of a prayerful study of the Bible, for the highest development of Christian character, and a careful reading of the Baptist Advance, Orphans' Gem, Home and Foreign Fields, and Royal Service, for a comprehensive and sympathetic knowledge of our respective fields of Christian labor.

2. That our churches be urged, wherever possible, and whenever practicable, to include in their annual budgets, a blanket subscription to the Baptist Advance, to cover every family in the membership, so as to insure the largest possible circulation of the paper, and to develop a well-informed, denominational-wide constituency in kingdom matters.

3. In order to bring the Advance and Book House to the highest point of efficiency and service, we further recommend that the Executive Board be instructed to appoint annually, a Commission on Baptist Advance and Book House, composed of at least three members, which will be charged with the responsibility of maintaining an adequate office force, and supervising the Book House, and reporting direct to the Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. WRIGHT,  
W. M. KELLEY,  
W. G. MATHIS,  
E. RAWLINGS,  
C. D. WOOD, JR.,

Committee.

29. Report of the Committee on Ministerial Education was read by B. V. Ferguson. After discussion by B. V. Ferguson, W. T. Conner, J. F. Queen, O. J. Wade, L. M. Keeling, E. P. Alldredge, H. W. Jean and J. R. G. White, the report was adopted.

## REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Ministerial education is probably the most imperative duty of Arkansas Baptists at this time. No man who reads his Bible has any ground upon which to raise the question as to whether preachers ought to be educated. That matter was fixed by the Lord, Himself, for all time to come. Paul so understood it, and was inspired to say to the young preacher, that he must be "apt to teach." The scriptures make it clear that ministerial education is a very fundamental thing in carrying out the wish and command of Christ. To fail at this point, is to be very unorthodox.

The only question left for us to settle, is how we may best set about the task. The conscience of the denomination ought to be as keenly aroused, to provide adequate means for the education of its ministers, as the conscience of the individual is to obey the call to enter the ministry. We ought now to pray the Lord of the harvest, that He send forth more trained laborers into the harvest and set about to answer that part of the prayer which places the responsibility upon us.

To minimize the importance of this matter, is to make an irreparable mistake. It is fundamental, and vitally concerns every other kingdom interest. The kingdom work of Jesus began with the choice of men who were to be the preachers of His word. After these men were trained, the program of the church was committed to them. The ministry was not made a secondary thing, but occupied the first place in the arrangement of the plans of Jesus for the work of His kingdom. The selection of men, the training of men, was followed by State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, and other interests of the kingdom. This is the order of divine arrangement, and it ought not to be changed.

A denomination can never be any more efficient, or any stronger, than its leadership. The permanency of our work depends upon an educated ministry more than any other one thing. Every dollar put into the training of a consecrated minister of Christ, will multiply itself many fold.

Four hundred and forty churches in Arkansas without pastors; 300 preachers without regular work; 150 ministerial students not in school; a section of country made up of two counties with 40,000 people with only one resident Baptist preacher; another section with 60,000 people with only three ministers and one missionary, is the most tremendous appeal that can be made for Ministerial Education.

Your committee makes the following recommendations:

First. That we fix as our goal for this year, \$10,000, for this worthy cause. and that the State Board be instructed to arrange some definite plan that will reach the Baptists of the State, with a definite method, by which this amount shall be raised. This matter to be launched early in the year so as to give the necessary aid to men already in school.

Second. That we fix, as a maximum amount for any one student who may need it, \$12.50 per month.

Third. That this matter be presented to every Ministerial student in the State, and that he be encouraged to go to school.

Fourth. That something be done for the Seminaries on the basis of the number of Arkansas students in them, the amount not to exceed \$2,000.

30 Devotional exercises were conducted by Arthur Fox.

31. Greetings from F. P. Turner, who is sick in Memphis Memorial Hospital, were conveyed to the Convention by M. D. Jeffries.

32. A telegram bearing greetings from Bro. S. H. Campbell of Tyler, Texas, was read to the Convention.

33. The report on Home Missions was read by G. M. Ford. After discussion by E. P. Alldredge, a motion carried to extend time for the discussion on Home Missions until 12:30. After discussion by T. D. Brown, J. G. Green, Dr. Day and F. M. Wells, the report was adopted.

### HOME MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Home Missions, submits the following report. We record our humble and profound gratitude to God for His continued and ever increasing blessings upon the work of the Home Mission Board. The following figures, taken from the Home Mission Board's report for last year, give us some idea of the work that is being done through this Board, and of the Father's blessings upon it: Number of workers, 1,498; Churches and Stations supplied, 5,106; Sermons and Addresses, 148,298; Baptisms, 30,982; Sunday Schools organized, 634; Churches organized, 213; Total number of additions, 51,949; Mountain Schools 36, three of which schools are in Arkansas; pupils in these schools, 5,190, of whom 110 were preachers; 210 of these students are in Arkansas schools; of the 110 preachers, 14 are in Arkansas schools; built or improved 505 meeting houses. For this work the Baptists of the South gave directly, \$589,987.00, of this sum Arkansas Baptists gave about \$27,000.00.

Notwithstanding this marvelous and glorious accomplishment, one of the most urgent, if not the most urgent task that confronts us today, is the evangelization and spiritualization of the life of the New South.

Baptists are now the most numerous evangelical body in America, and five-sixths of their numbers are in the South. But



the unprecedented increase of the South's wealth, and the flood-tide of increase in population, will crush the souls of our people, if they are not strong enough to master them for spiritual ends.

Added to the above demand upon us, is that of our soldier boys. The war is over, but the demobilization and re-enlistment in the civic affairs of life of our armies presents, for this present year, quite as great demand as did their call to the defense of our country.

No people can ever be strong enough to overcome the down-pull of such overwhelming forces, except, as they place their faith in the strength of God and His Christ, and courageously meet the demand that God has laid upon them. Therefore, while upon our knees in humbleness, a greatly enlarged program of Home Missions must be our ready response to the challenges confronting us.

Southern Baptists through the instruction of the Southern Baptist Convention, instructed the Home Mission Board to outline its work this year on the basis of a \$1,000,000 apportionment. They told this Board to put forth efforts and undertake tasks that formerly we would have considered far beyond us.

Arkansas Baptists being a part of this great host, and having within our bounds so much destitution and need, and having received so generously of the helping hand of the Home Board, should now do a worthy part in supporting the enlarged program, which the Board has been ordered to carry out.

We, therefore, recommend: 1st. That all of our churches give the work of our Home Board an unusually large place in their budgets and programs. 2nd. That the specific amount of money that Arkansas Baptists shall undertake to raise for Home Missions, be left to the discretion of the State Executive Board.

G. M. FORD,  
E. P. ALLDREDGE,  
V. C. NEAL,  
ALEX McPHERSON,  
GEO. J. McNEW,  
H. E. KIRKPATRICK,  
MRS. F. C. ROBINSON,  
MRS. H. D. MORTON,

Committee.

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## THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

34. Devotional service was conducted by L. E. Barton. J. T. Fowlkes led in prayer.

35. The report of the Committee on Obituaries was read by the clerk, in the absence of the chairman of the committee. N. C. Denson and S. B. Barnett discussed the report, after which it was adopted.

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES.**

Throughout the past year the grim reaper has been busy among our brethren and sisters, and many have fallen as victims to his scythe. The mantle of darkness has hovered near us, and sorrow has filled our hearts. Every section of the State has been called upon to mourn the departure of loved ones.

Sacred and lasting memories gather around the names of Elders Clark Sims, of Dermott, Ark., and D. A. Sutton, of Alma, Ark., choice young men of our ranks.

Dr. J. C. Wallis, of Arkadelphia, long-time friend and benefactor of Ouachita College, holds a large place in all our hearts.

Deacon W. W. Bird, of Pine Bluff, one time Treasurer of the Convention, and Trustee of Ouachita College, has fallen on to sleep and has left the world poorer by his going home.

Deacon E. Craig and J. E. T. Holiman, of Little Rock, quiet but faithful, are now among those of sacred memories.

Judge H. T. Bradford, of Little Rock, and Deacons R. H. Mitchell, and R. G. Stewart, of Wynne, noble, self-sacrificing pillars of the church, have gone on before.

These and many others have been called to their reward, and truly it may be said of each one that, "Being dead, yet he speaketh."

W. C. WOOD,  
W. P. KIME,  
J. T. HOWELL,

Committee.

36. Motion that president be instructed to send out paper written by himself to parties mentioned in previous resolutions on Religious Liberty, 'carried.

37. The following resolution was read by A. H. Autry and was adopted by the Convention:

**RESOLUTIONS.**

1. Resolved: That we appreciate the small space that has been given to our meetings, by the Arkansas Gazette, for we know that their space is valuable.

2. Resolved: That we ask Dr Waller to assist our reporter, Brother Faulkner, and that they confer with the Gazette reporter and obtain a fuller report of our meetings, if possible.

3. Resolved: That we urgently request the Arkansas Gazette to publish, at its earliest convenience, the Resolution on Religious Liberty and kindred matters, read yesterday by Dr. L. E. Barton, as a matter of news and information for all Arkansas people.

4. Resolved: That, in case the Gazette should not see fit to

publish said Resolution as news, our State Board have it published as advertisement matter, and that our Sunday School Board be requested to publish said paper in tract form.

38. The following resolution was read by J. G. Lile and was adopted by the convention.

Resolved: That a committee consisting of J. S. Rogers, H. L. Winburn, J. R. G. White, H. G. Pugh and L. E. Barton, is hereby appointed, and that said committee is hereby directed to make an estimate of the probable contributions that can be secured during the coming year for all causes fostered by this Convention, and, upon said estimate, to prepare a budget of appropriations for the several causes, and present such budget to our Executive Board.

Resolved, further: That it is the sense of this body that our work is one, and that instead of asking our churches for contributions to so many causes, we ought to ask them to contribute to our State work as set out in a definite budget.

Resolved, further: That we ask our Executive Board to adopt, if practicable, a budget plan that will, if possible, amply provide for our several enterprises, and for the payment of all debts upon our Convention in the shortest time possible.

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## THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

39. After devotional service, the following resolution was read by H. L. Winburn and was adopted by the Convention:

RESOLVED, That the Convention authorize the Executive Board to pay the expenses of Members of the Board incurred in attending the regular annual meeting in December.

40. The following report of the committee on Foreign Missions was read by S. B. Barnett. After discussion by T. Claggett Skinner and prayer by E. P. J. Garrott, the report was adopted.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Foreign Mission call is, at this time, most insistent. To those who give it serious consideration, it is irresistible. The world war, and the agitation of certain religious questions made prominent during the war, have thrust upon Baptists an unusual degree of responsibility in the matter of Foreign Missions.

1. The exigencies of the times demand that we greatly enlarge our Foreign Mission work. As never before, every part of the world is interested in every other part. Most of the great nations have made common cause with each other, for liberty, and the rights of men, and political autocracy has thereby been crushed. Much of the world is undergoing a re-formation of ideals, and the message of the cross should therefore be delivered now with double zeal. The greatest need of the nations today, is the gospel of Christ; and it would now, as perhaps never before, be a factor in moulding the ideals of the people. We have greater opportunities now than ever before. Past successes on the fields where we have been doing mission work, have prepared the way for greatly enlarging the work on those fields, and there are others "white unto harvest." Where we once had open doors for our missionaries, we now have practically a wide-open world. Some of the war-torn nations of Europe seem to be holding out invitations to Baptist missionaries. Where the people have shaken off the yoke of Czarism, Sultanism, or Kaiserism, and are setting up governments for themselves, there is a good place to preach the doctrines of soul-liberty, and individual responsibility to God, with hope of success. Such people should be brought to see that ecclesiastical autocracy is no more to be desired than political autocracy.

2. Foreign Missions appeals to our loyalty to Jesus Christ. We should be moved, not only by the Macedonian call of the nations, "come over and help us," but also by the farewell command of our Lord, "Go, and make disciples, and baptize them, and teach them." Here is a four-fold program—Go, Evangelize, Baptize, Teach. In their efforts to carry out this program, Baptists of the South have very properly refused to enter into any union or alliance, with the people of any other faith. The Union Movement cannot carry out the full commission of our Lord to His churches; and Baptists, with a full gospel to preach, cannot consistently go into this movement. Our people have assumed that Baptist churches have the entire responsibility of the entire Commission for the entire world. We have assumed a mighty task, and it calls for the utmost efforts of which we are capable.

Viewing the enormity of the task of Foreign Missions, the Southern Baptist Convention, in session at Hot Springs last May, decided that the work this year should be laid out on the basis of \$1,500,000. A few years ago this would have been considered a very large sum, but not so now. Not only have Baptists grown much stronger, both in numbers and in wealth than they formerly were, but they have also learned to think in much larger terms. Compared with other calls upon the people for money, \$1,500,000 is an insignificant amount. The Baptists of the South can contribute much more than this, and if they are truly wise, they will do it. Arkansas Baptists should contribute their full share of this amount.

God has wonderfully blessed our Foreign Mission work, as the following will show:

Number of churches on all fields.....	464
Number that have become self-supporting.....	141
Number of Sunday Schools.....	715
Number of scholars enrolled, over.....	34,000
Total church membership.....	53,000
Total baptisms last year.....	6,290

Eighteen new missionaries were appointed in June, and a much larger number should be appointed this year to meet the growing demands of the work.

We make the following recommendations:

1. That unceasing prayer be made for all the missionaries on all the foreign fields, that success may attend their labors; also for our beloved Secretary, Dr. J. F. Love, in his visit to the Far East, and for his fellow laborers in the homeland; also for all of our Baptist churches, that they may be true to the trust our Lord has committed unto them. We especially recommend that our people observe the Week of Prayer, January 5-12, as a great occasion of prayer for Foreign Missions.

2. That much emphasis be placed upon missionary instruction in all the churches. We urge that pastors preach much on Foreign Missions, and that mission study classes be formed. Your committee are of opinion that several hundred of these study classes should be formed in Arkansas this winter. We heartily recommend the book on "**The Union Movement**," by Secretary Love, as a book that should be in every Baptist home, and should be used in every study class on Foreign Missions. We also urge our people to subscribe for and read the **Baptist Advance** and the **Home and Foreign Fields**, and to secure and use the tracts and other literature on Foreign Missions to be had from the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia.

3. That this Convention, through its Executive Board, undertake to raise its full proportion of the \$1,500,000.00, which the Foreign Mission Board is expected to raise before the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Atlanta next May.

Respectfully submitted,

S. B. BARNETT,  
T. H. JORDAN,  
C. L. HAMMOCK,  
T. D. BROWN,

Committee.

41. By common consent, the report on Laymen's Movement was given place in the order of the day, taking place before the Orphan's Home report. The report was read by J. Q. Wolf, discussed by H. L. Winburn and adopted by the Convention.

42. Motion that a copy of the report be furnished the Baptist Advance with the request that it be published and that pastors call attention of their laymen to it, carried.

43. Report of the Board of Trustees of the Orphan's Home and also the Treasurer's report, were read by W. F. Dorris. Report of the Committee on Orphan's Home was read by A. Fox. After brief discussion and explanation by W. F. Dorris, the reports were adopted.

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ORPHANS' HOME.

The work of saving child life is fundamental, not only to the State, but to society and religion. The children of today will be the men and women of tomorrow. The real assets of a State or Nation, are the men and women composing its political units. The care we take of the children, or our neglect of them, will manifest itself in the political and moral personnel of future citizenship. A child well cared for physically, properly trained intellectually, and brought up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, will be the man or woman who will be a positive force for constructive citizenship. A child neglected, is not only lost to the State, but becomes a serious menace to the social, moral, and political fabric.

Since the proper care of the child is fundamental to the progress of the State, and the ongoing of the kingdom of God,—the All-Wise Father has indelibly written it into the constitution of His kingdom. We are to "bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." To safeguard this vital principle of child conservation, God has ordained, and established the home, where the child can come in personal touch with father and mother, and be trained for the highest service in church and State. But sin came into the world, and death by sin, and since death is no respecter of persons, many homes are broken up, and the little ones left alone. But God has written it deep and strong in his world-wide kingdom program: "Ye shall not afflict any widow or fatherless child. If thou afflict them in any wise, and they cry at all unto me, I will surely hear their cry; and my wrath shall wax hot, and I will kill you with the sword; and your wives shall be widows and your children fatherless." Ex. 22:22-24. God has mightily re-enforced this significant warning, with the emphatic statement that, "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father, is this: To visit fatherless and the widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world." It was this divine principle which moved Miss Hannah Hyatt, now Mrs. Gardner, to found the Arkansas Baptist Orphans' Home at Monticello 23 years ago, and give her home of 80 acres of land to the Convention. Perhaps a thousand orphan children have been cared for in this home during the years of its existence. What a mighty host of these little ones will rise

up in the judgment and call her blessed; and the thousands of Baptists who gave of their means to alleviate their distress and better their condition.

Your Committee believes that the Convention's policy, inaugurated in 1915, at Conway, is not only wise, but scriptural. God ordained and established the home for the proper care and training of children. If these homes are broken up on account of death, and the little ones are left alone, then the next best thing is an institution to house them, until good and approved christian homes can be found for them. More than 225 of these orphans have been cared for in this way since the policy of placing the children into private homes became effective.

As the work expands, our needs become greater. The management is greatly handicapped in its work, on account of inadequate buildings. We have plenty of room for the 45 children now in the Home; the construction of the rooms is on the Ward plan, and hence, from four to eight children must occupy the same room. This is not conducive to the best care of the children. We need a reconstruction of the whole plant, looking to a greater efficiency in the care and training of the children. In the judgment of your committee, the time has arrived, when we should provide a real home and adequate help, to give these dependent children the best care possible. Not one of us should be content until we have provided for these orphans the very best we can afford. It is wise statesmanship to give them the best possible chance in life; it is "pure and undefiled religion." If 21,000, or 22,000 Masons, many of whom are not saved men, can erect, establish, and maintain, a magnificent home for the children of their deceased and fallen brothers, what can 125,000 Baptists do for the helpless orphans of Arkansas, whose mute appeals for help reach the very throne of God? If 21,000 Odd Fellows can maintain a splendid home for the widows and orphans of their deceased brothers, can we not rise up in the strength of Israel's God, and provide a home adequate to the needs of our orphans?

Your committee offer the following recommendations:

1. That every church, Sunday School, and other organizations of churches, continue the wise plan of making regular monthly offerings for the current expenses of our Home.

2. That we remember in prayer these orphans, and also the management as they toil unceasingly to care for them.

3. That we request our State Board to look into the question of reconstructing our plant, looking to the adequate housing of the children, and greater efficiency of the management in their work, as soon as the reconstructing period, and financial conditions can become normal. Respectfully submitted,

A. FOX,  
W. L. COMPERE,  
J. T. FOWLKES,  
MRS. J. H. ESTES,

Committee.

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, ARKANSAS BAPTIST ORPHANS' HOME.

To the brethren assembled in the sixty-fifth annual session of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, at Little Rock, Ark., December 11, 1918:

We, the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Baptist Orphans' Home, hereby present our annual report for the year ending December 11, 1918.

We express our gratitude to the Father of the "fatherless," for His continued blessings on our Home, and its work during the year that is just closed. The health of the children has been excellent—the only serious illness suffered by the children was the Influenza, which attacked every one in the Home, except one. God in His Mercy spared them all, and now they are enjoying their usual good health.

At the last Convention, which met in Jonesboro, December 5, 1918, reported a total of 62. We have admitted, during the year, including several children returned by parties with whom we placed them, 41, making a total of 103 children cared for wholly, or partially, during the year. We have placed in good homes, 58, leaving a total of 45 now remaining in the Home.

Notwithstanding the severe drouth—severest in our section, perhaps, than any other portion of the State—Mr. C. N. Norton, Home Superintendent, and the boys have done well in the work on the farm. Our corn crop was very light, yielding about 250 bushels, less than 20 per cent of a normal yield under ordinary conditions. But the Lord sent us the "latter rains" just in time to save our hay and peanut crop, and the sorghum. The yield of sweet potatoes was good—all the other crops cut short. But we will have sufficient feed-stuffs to care for our live stock until another crop can be grown, and for which Mr. Horton and the boys are diligently preparing this fall. We give the estimated amount of the various crops grown on the farm and their estimated value, as follows:

150 bushels Irish Potatoes.....	\$ 187.50
250 bushels Corn.....	500.00
800 bushels Sweet Potatoes.....	800.00
275 gallons Sorghum.....	275.00
Canned vegetables valued at.....	100.00
Peanuts.....	50.00
Hay, including corn tops.....	500.00

Total estimated value of farm products.....	\$2,412.50
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You will note by our report that our children have been greatly reduced in number. This means that most of the larger boys and girls are gone, and this has created a problem as to farm cultivation, since the smaller boys are not strong enough to perform the work needed. We suggest, however, that this difficulty can be largely overcome, by purchasing a tractor, with



its added plow machinery, thus enabling Mr. Horton to do all the heavy plowing in preparation, and also the cultivating of the small plants. We calculate that an arrangement of this kind will enable our Home Superintendent to carry on the work with more efficiency, and at the same time release still more of our larger boys, to be placed in good approved, private homes.

The Influenza has greatly hindered our farm work, and school work. For more than a month we were shut in, not being able to plant much of our fall and winter oats. Yet, with all these hindrances, we have planted about ten acres to oats, and about eight acres to rye. Mr. Horton is now preparing the land for next year's crop. All our winter's wood has been provided. Since the Influenza epidemic, our teachers have been making up for lost time, and the children are studying earnestly to make up their grades.

Placing the children in private homes, while it is working well in almost all instances, yet it hinders very much the work of the children in school. Mrs. Lorena Moore, of Warren, Ark., has been employed as teacher of the higher grades. Owing to scarcity of teachers, we were unable to secure a teacher for the primary grades, and Miss Alma Shadow, Domestic Science teacher, has taken these grades, and is making good progress with her work.

There has been a good increase in livestock. We are replenishing our herd of pigs with pure Duroc Jersey stock. Mr. Horton is making preparation for rotation of pasture for the pigs, and we hope soon to have pasturage for them every month in the year. Our cows are in excellent condition, and we hope soon to have enough cows to furnish milk and butter for the children the year round. We now have 42 pigs, large and small, and the estimated value of same is \$400.00. We have 25 cows and calves, estimated value, \$1,500.00. We have six horses, valued at \$500.00, and two mules, valued at \$300.00; total value of livestock, \$2,700.00.

We are hopeful that our Convention, as soon as practicable, will undertake the work of reconstructing our plant, so as to enable the management to do more efficient work in training the children. So long as we are under the necessity of corralling the children, six to eight, in one room, we cannot give them the homelike training we should. Our policy should be controlled alone by the BEST INTEREST OF THE CHILDREN under our care. Your Board suggests the Cottage Plan—each Cottage of sufficient capacity to accomodate 20 children, and not more than 25—and said Cottage to be under the supervision of a competent Matron. We suggest at least three Cottages of equal capacity—one for the boys, one for the girls, and one devoted to the care of smaller children, and infants. At present, we are greatly handicapped in not having a Nursery Department, where smaller children and infants can be cared for in the best way by a competent Matron. In our present condition, we are not prepared to care for these little ones whose very helplessness

appeals to us for care. Your Board also suggests a small building of about eight or ten rooms, to be used as a Detention Building, where children newly admitted to the Home can be kept until our physician can determine whether it is safe for them to be placed with the other children. We hope the Convention will instruct our General Mission Board having all the work in hand, fostered by the Convention, to lay plans by which this much needed reconstruction regime can be consummated, as soon as financial conditions can be readjusted.

We are glad to report that all current expenses for the year have been met, with a small balance of \$5.60 in the Treasury. We are grateful to our S. S.'s; W. M. S.'s; B. Y. P. U.'s; Sunbeams; Y. W. A.'s; Churches, and individuals, who have made it possible for us to care for so many of these dependent children. Saving the orphan, and training him for a useful life, is worth while, and we are thankful to all our friends who have had such a noble share in this work of mercy.

Respectfully submitted,

R. F. HYATT,  
President Board of Trustees.  
C. D. WOOD, JR.,  
Secretary Board of Trustees,  
Pro Tem.

### **Treasurer's Annual Report.**

Monticello, Arkansas, December 6, 1918.

To the Arkansas Baptist State Convention:

The treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Baptist Orphans' Home, submits to you herewith, an annual statement, showing all receipts and disbursements for the Home beginning with December 3, 1917, and ending December 6, 1918, and also the financial condition of the Home this date.

### **Receipts.**

Balance on hand (Dec. 3, 1917).....	\$ 1.49
Receipts of J. S. Rogers, Gen. Sec'y.....	11,483.15
Received by the treasurer from local churches, Sunday schools, societies and individuals .....	471.01
Receipts for clothing fund.....	696.54
Receipts for Gem subscriptions.....	41.25
R. A. Pickens, Walnut Lake, Ark.....	100.00
B. C. Pickens, Walnut Lake, Ark.....	100.00
O. O. Axley, Warren, Ark.....	100.00
O. A. Pennoyer, Calif.....	200.00

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\$13,193.44

## Disbursements.

A/C Hardware (including farm implements)\$	795.51	
" Dry Goods.....	646.75	
" Insurance .....	207.90	
" Groceries .....	2,398.58	
" Drugs (Inc. various items of drug store)	176.83	
" Interest .....	64.58	
" Bread .....	623.10	
" Physicians .....	137.50	
" Furniture .....	87.50	
" Plumbing and repairs.....	231.50	
" Real estate, paid on note to Mrs. Gardner	120.00	
" Water and Light.....	173.56	
" Lumber and repairs.....	122.47	
" Printing and stationery.....	372.52	
" Auditor (for auditing treasurer's books)	53.75	
" Gen'l expense (Inc. various items too numerous to classify).....	1,101.97	
" Salary .....	2,263.50	
" Salary (W. F. Dorris).....	2,000.01	
" Expense (W. F. Dorris' traveling expenses) .....	602.42	
" Expense Little Rock office.....	600.00	
" Real estate fund (as charged to me at Little Rock office).....	407.89	
	<u>\$13,187.84</u>	
12-6-18, Balance on hand, in bank.....	5.60	\$13,193.14
Unpaid accounts.....	NONE	
Bills payable.....	\$1,600.00	
Interest due 1-4-19.....	128.00	
Total debt.....	<u>\$1,728.00</u>	

I also hold an endowment fund of \$500.00, bearing interest @ 5%.

Respectfully submitted,

R. L. DEAL,  
Treasurer.

44. The report of the Committee on Nominations was read by C. F. J. Tate. Motion to amend by adding the name of Dr. Burgess as member of the Executive Board from Russellville Association. The amendment was carried. The report was adopted.

45. The following communication in response to one from Negro Baptists was read by Dr. Waller, and adopted, with the request that Dr. Waller send copy to Dr. Joseph A. Booker.

Little Rock, Ark. December 12, 1918.

Rev. Joseph A. Booker,  
Secretary Home Mission Board  
of the Negro National Convention:

The members of the Baptist State Convention of Arkansas, desire to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of good wishes and prayer, and to assure you of their deep appreciation of the same.

The Baptist pastors of Little Rock were named as the Committee to respond, and beg to assure you, furthermore, of the deep interest of all our brotherhood in all the activities and endeavors of our Negro Baptist brethren, for the glory of Christ, and the up-building of the kingdom, in both the State and the Nation. We note, with increasing joy, the growth along all lines of work fostered by you—evangelistic, educational, and missionary. It scarcely needs to be said again, that our Negro Baptist leaders, with their loyal constituency in the churches throughout all the country, have become a potent factor in all the matters—civic, social, moral, and religious—that make for the uplifting, not only of the Negro race, but for all the people, especially of our fair Southland.

Again, we pledge you, and through you, the Home Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention, our fervent prayers and earnest co-operation in all the matters to which your hands may turn for the uplifting of your people, and for the bringing in of the kingdom-reign of our Christ.

CALVIN B. WALLER,  
For the Committee.

46. The report of the Committee on B. Y. P. U. was read by W. E. Kimbrough and was adopted.

47. The report of the year's work was read by Secretary J. B. Moseley and was adopted.

#### B. Y. P. U. WORK.

One of the numerous practical problems confronting pastors and churches, is that of developing the spiritual life of our young people, and training them for Christian service.

The present age, with its manifold and strenuous activities, is a period of peril, as well as of opportunity to our youth. The

world is urgently calling those of tender years, offering most invitingly its employments and enjoyments, and the growing danger is that, in the midst of secular affairs and social pleasures, our young people shall fall victims to worldliness, and thus be lost to usefulness in God's kingdom. Such a probability is alarming, since it must be regarded as a calamity threatening promising lives and the cause of the Master.

Work among our young people is of particular importance, because of the demand for capable leadership in all departments of our work. The future prosperity of our churches must be determined largely by the degree in which the gifts of their young members are developed and directed. Success in this undertaking requires skill, tact, patience, and sympathy.

We recommend:

1. The organizations of the B. Y. P. U. be maintained in the churches under the supervision of the pastors and mature workers.

2. We commend the work of Brother J. B. Mosely, our B. Y. P. U. Secretary. He has rendered constructive service in teaching and training, and we trust that a similar service can be continued next year.

3. We favor the plan of holding a statewide B. Y. P. U. Assembly; also we hope that a permanent meeting place may soon be secured for this annual gathering.

W. E. KIMBROUGH, Chairman.

**ANNUAL REPORT OF J. B. MOSELEY, BAPTIST STATE B. Y.  
P. U. SECRETARY, FOR YEAR ENDING  
NOVEMBER 30, 1918.**

To the Executive Board, Arkansas Baptist State Convention,  
Dr. J. S. Rogers, Corresponding Secretary.

Dear Brethren: Your present Secretary began his work on January 1, having to do both B. Y. P. U. and Sunday School work. War and other unavoidable conditions played quite a havoc with the prosecution of our work during the past eleven months, yet, the Lord has richly and abundantly blessed every effort put forth. The first thing your Secretary did, upon entering the State, was to make a round of the Bible schools conducted first and second weeks in January, thus enabling him to come in personal touch with the pastors and other workers all over the State; also to become acquainted with the State physically. The B. Y. P. U. Department has been stressed and pushed very vigorously. Having both the B. Y. P. U. and Sunday School Departments to direct, it has been utterly impossible to devote as much time to the B. Y. P. U. work as desired.

The report of the eleven months work is as follows:

(Both B. Y. P. U. and Sunday School Depts.)

Days labored (January 1 to November 30).....	334
Number lectures and addresses delivered.....	200
Miles traveled.....	9,050
Conventions, Assemblies and Associations Attended	13
City Training Schools conducted.....	4
Literature Distributed (more or less).....	5,000
Heavy office work kept up.....	
Institutes and Teacher Training classes conducted	41
Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U.'s organized by all....	136

### Unions in the State.

We have approximately 150 Senior and 50 Junior Unions in the State at the present time. Your Secretary has done everything in his power to secure accurate statistics, but on account of meager information in the Associational Minutes and office, it has been impossible to do so. We hope the clerks of the various Associations in the State, will incorporate a B. Y. P. U. statistical table in their Minutes in the future, so as to enable us to get definite and accurate information. Such kindness would be greatly appreciated.

### City Training Schools.

Three distinctive B. Y. P. U. Training Schools have been held during the past year, with very gratifying results. An effort will be made to have at least six such schools during the coming year.

### Standard Unions.

The following Unions have been reported as having attained our high standard of excellence:

First Church, Danville.

First Church, Fort Smith.

First Church, Hot Springs.

The above churches were the only ones reporting through the office. Our aim next year will be 25 A-1 Unions.

### Assembly.

The 1918 Assembly was a decided success in every way, with the exception of the attendance, which was not up to the standard, account of war and other conditions in the State at that time. Our Faculty was the finest at any of the Assemblies in the South. The work done by those attending was of the highest character. The 1919 program is well under way, and we have secured the best teachers and speakers in the South. Please note that the date has been changed to June 17-24, and we confidently expect to have the largest and best Assembly ever held.

### **Our Helpers During the Year.**

We wish to thank the pastors, General District, and Associational Missionaries, B. Y. P. U. workers, Sunday School Board Secretaries Flake, Lee, Miss Elrod, Mrs. Hearn and others for the splendid service rendered.

### **The B. Y. P. U. Department of the Baptist Advance.**

We wish to thank Brother McKinney for the space given us. The Advance has helped us materially in the carrying on of our work; in enabling us to keep vital information and facts before our young people. Let the Unions all over the State send in from time to time, brief write-ups of what they are doing.

### **B. Y. P. U. Diploma.**

The Sunday School Board has recently gotten out a beautiful B. Y. P. U. Diploma for our study course books. Every pastor, B. Y. P. U. worker in the State should be a proud possessor of one of these diplomas.

### **Some Things Desired For 1919.**

1. Organize a Senior and Junior B. Y. P. U. in every church in the State.
2. Push the Statewide Study Course Week, February 9-16. Let every pastor see that this week is observed, teaching one of the following books:

"Training in Baptist Spirit."

"Senior Manual."

"Training in Church Membership."

"Junior Manual."

"Training in Bible Study."

"Training in Christian Service."

"How Baptists Work Together."

All of our people need training, especially at this time, in Baptist doctrines and history, and if such training is given as it should be, we must have organization to do it. Our Baptist young people need training more than ever, as we are facing one of the greatest denominational fights we have ever faced, and Baptists need to know every solitary inch of the ground. Let us keep our educational work prominently before our young people. Don't put it off.

3. Organize District and Associational Training Schools. It is earnestly desired that a B. Y. P. U. Training School, or convention, be organized in every Association, working up to an annual District Training School or Convention. We wish to organize the State into nine districts, with a District Superintendent. Such an organization will help us to reach every church in Arkansas with a Senior and Junior B. Y. P. U. Detailed organization will realize our fondest hopes.

4. Advertise our Assembly in every possible way.
5. Plan for a Northwest Assembly in or around Siloam Springs.
6. Heartily co-operate with your State Secretary to put Arkansas B. Y. P. U. work right at the head of the list.

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## THURSDAY NIGHT SESSION

48. Devotional services were led by H. L. Winburn.
49. The report of the Secretary of the Executive Board was read by J. S. Rogers, and was discussed by Dr. Greene, H. D. Morton, J. S. Compere, J. O. Johnston, and W. M. Brewster.
50. By motion, the report was amended by striking out the names of special givers to State Missions. The report was adopted.
51. The report of Committee on State Missions was read by J. R. G. White and was adopted.

## STATE MISSIONS.

The report presented by the Secretary of the Executive Board, in a most excellent way sets forth the Mission situation in Arkansas, as to the needs and problems, and the support given to the same. Notwithstanding the marked progress made, the fact remains that by way of comparison, the situation is yet in its infancy in method and money, and number of laborers in the field.

We recommend hearty co-operation between the churches and the Board in our efforts to faithfully do the work committed by our Lord to us, in this great and needy field.

We suggest that the work, in matter of detail, for the coming year, be left in the hands of the Executive Board, and that they wisely and cautiously go forward.

Respectfully submitted.

L. D. SUMMERS,  
B. D. MOORE,  
MRS. LEWIS  
W. K. OLDHAM,  
J. R. G. WHITE,  
Committee.



## REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD TO CONVENTION.

To the Messengers of the Baptist Churches of Arkansas, assembled at Little Rock, December 11-13, 1918, in the sixty-fifth annual meeting of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention; the Executive Board, your servant, most respectfully submits the following report:

With full joy and hearty thanksgiving to Almighty God, for His rich blessings upon the work, and with a thorough appreciation of the unparalleled co-operation of the brethren and sisters in the churches in the work, your Board presents this report to you, the messengers of New Testament churches.

### A Year of Notable Progress.

This report will relate to you some facts about a year of notable progress. It has been peculiarly, a year of constructive work, a year outstanding for co-operation, teaching and training, evangelism, evangelizing soldiers, severe difficulties whipped down to the ground, victorious campaigns, and blessed joy in seeing many of our deflected Baptist brethren come back into line. It has been a year of conquest.

### Four Giants Overcome.

During the year we have had to face and overcome four Goliaths, namely: The worst winter within the memory of men. For five full weeks the wheels of the churches were almost motionless. Second, the awful, tragic world war, with all its calls for men, money, and time. Third, the severest drouth in many sections of the State within a generation. Fourth, the awful black scourge of Influenza, that made the times seem out of joint, took away thousands of our people and some of our best preachers, lost us \$5,000.00 to \$7,000.00 in the State Mission Campaign, by paralyzing our churches, and is still stalking abroad in the land with uplifted sword bent on death. But in the strength of Israel's God we reached the Rhine and won.

## I.

### BENEVOLENCE.

The benevolent work done by the Arkansas churches through the Executive Board, consists in aiding old and infirm preachers, and in orphanage and some little hospital work. We are undeniably guilty of a great sin touching a denominational hospital.

### Old Minister's Relief.

We have done better for this good cause than in other years. During the year the churches have contributed \$705.53, and we have given some financial aid to 13 brethren. We are doing all

too little for this blessed cause, but we have made some progress this year. Your Board hopes Arkansas Baptists will line up strong for the program launched by the Southern Baptist Convention, touching the great matter of caring for the worn-out prophets of God.

### **The Mansion of Mercy.**

In our Monticello Orphanage there are 45 children. Secretary Dorris has placed 58 children in good homes this year. The health of the children in the home is good, and affairs connected with the institution are being satisfactorily managed. All expenses for the year ending December 1, have been paid. We paid the big debt off last year, and, through the fine work of Brother Dorris and other employes of your Board, together with the splendid co-operation of the pastors and churches, all running expenses for the year have been wiped out. There is a note of \$1,600 against the home, given to Mrs. Hannah Hyatt Gardiner, to satisfy a claim retained by her when she gave the Orphanage property to the denomination. The interest on this note has been paid to December 1. We are getting into the magnificent habit of keeping out of debt all around. The total amount collected for all purposes for the Orphanage during the year, is \$13,627.53. Many improvements are needed on the home, and so your Board urges the churches to be very liberal another year in their financial support of this heavenly institution.

## **II.**

### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.**

For your Board to begin once more to argue to this Convention the colossal importance of Christian Education, would be to reflect on your intelligence. However, we must remind the messengers that the small amount given to this great cause during the year, despite all we can do now, reflects on us shamefully at some spot, whether that spot be our intelligence, our loyalty, or our liberality. It is to be greatly lamented that comparatively few of our Sunday Schools made much of Christian Education Day in June. Almost our whole Arkansas constituency sorely needs a mighty awakening, almost a violent quickening, touching this fundamental matter. Roman Catholics are expending millions every year in erecting and maintaining colleges and other schools of a high grade. About one year ago, 1,000 Catholics met in a conference in one of our American cities for some ten days, and came away from the meeting shouting the slogan: "Every Catholic Child in a Catholic School." American Methodists are in a drive for \$55,000,000.00 for education. Your Board here and now, with heavy emphasis, gives it as their serious and growing judgment, that Arkansas Baptists this next year must move up, at least 100 per cent, in the their advocacy and support of Christian Education.

### **Our Education Debt.**

For all phases of education, except endowment and Ministerial Education, 180 churches during the year have given \$6,-980.78. Our present education debt, carried by your Executive Board, is \$55,854.05, according to our auditor, not including interest on several large notes. This is being carried on personal endorsement, excepting \$7,000.00. The situation touching this matter is well nigh unbearable. We are abundantly able to pay this debt in one day, if we would. Some steps should be taken by this Convention to wipe out this obligation in one campaign, or else to reduce it materially the coming year and thus clear away the obligation by installments within two or three years at most. This comparatively small obligation is not discouraging at all, when we remember that we have school property and endowment worth half a million dollars, and especially when we bear in mind what our Arkansas Baptist schools have done for the denomination and humanity generally. Starting less than thirty years ago at zero, we have come up to \$450,000.00; given to this State and other States, thousands of educated men and women; and increased five hundred fold the efficiency of every single phase of church and denominational work in our midst, and we have now the small balance of \$55,854.05 against us.

### **The Ouachita Endowment.**

During the year Education Secretary, J. G. Lile, in addition to pressing the general interest of education and urging churches to give financial support to the same, has quickened interest in the endowment of Ouachita College. He has raised, for endowment in cash, Liberty Bonds, and good interest-bearing notes, \$22,008.00. The total endowment of Ouachita College now is \$101,052.00. Special mention should be made of the bequest of \$30,000.00, by Dr. J. C. Wallis, of Arkadelphia, to the endowment fund. Your Board commends most highly, this splendid Christian act by this great Baptist layman. Many Baptists in this state, by such bequests, might thus bless the cause of Christian Education, after they are in heaven for centuries. Your Board hopes that the endowment of Ouachita College may be rapidly raised to the half-million dollar mark. As soon as possible it will be necessary also for Central College to have some endowment.

### **Ministerial Education.**

At this point we are great sinners. If Arkansas Baptists want to mortgage their future and fill it full of forebodings, and belittle and undo their present, and disgrace their past, then let them try to make out with a puny set of preachers. We must not insult and lose this intelligent generation by poking at them an untrained ministry. Your Board believes that it is time now for the churches and pastors to move up several notches in the matter of helping put young preachers through school. If we man our forces and go on, we must have more trained preachers.

The total amount raised during the year for all forms of Ministerial Education, is \$1,662.37. As much financial help was given to young preachers in Ouachita College, and in Mountain Home and the Seminaries as the funds would allow. This is all disgracefully small, but we are going to do better. We have no debt now on Ministerial Education. Your Board asks that this Convention recommend to the churches that at least \$10,000.00 be given to Ministerial Education this year, and urge them to accept the amount that will be suggested to each church by this Board to be raised for this fund. We must do far more for our young preachers in the Seminaries.

### III.

#### MISSIONS.

For all missions Arkansas Baptists have done well this year. Most of the pastors and churches have done exceedingly well, touching this phase of the Kingdom. Some churches have done gloriously. For a church not to be missionary is for it to nullify to it nearly all the promises of God. It is the way for a church to unwheel itself.

#### Home Missions.

To be strong on Home Missions and State Missions is the only way for a denomination to be strong on Foreign Missions. Denominational statesmanship admonishes Baptists to put great emphasis on Home Missions for all time. The churches co-operating in this Convention raised this year for Home Missions, \$27,000 plus, nearly double the amount that we ever gave before. This is, of course, very gratifying. The Home Board is helping us in our co-operative work this year to the amount of \$20,000.00. We greatly appreciate this. We are asked to raise for this year for Home Missions, \$50,000.00. The Home Board is out for \$1,000,000.00 for Home Missions. We must do our utmost.

#### Foreign Missions.

The year just closing has been one of triumph touching the great cause of Foreign Missions. Including the Judson fund, which is nothing more than Foreign Missions, our Arkansas churches gave \$29,962, some eleven thousand better than we ever did before. The Foreign Mission Board, located at Richmond, Virginia, sends us thousands of tracts during the year. The whole world situation now positively demands that Baptists make mighty strides for Foreign Missions. The Southern Baptist Convention at Hot Springs set as the goal for Southern Baptists for Foreign Mission, \$1,500,000.00. Arkansas must do exploits for this great cause this year.

**Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bottoms Give \$100,000.00 to Home Missions  
and \$100,000.00 to Foreign Missions.**

All Arkansas Baptists may be justly proud of the fact, and thank God that an Arkansas man and his wife the past year, gave the largest single gift ever made to our Home Mission Board and the largest ever made to our Foreign Mission Board. At Texarkana, Arkansas, live Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bottoms, two princely Baptist souls whom God has blessed with considerable means and with a consecration worthy of the followers of the Man of Calvary. In hilarious fashion this saintly pair, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God, have given back to God this year \$100,000.00 for Home Missions and \$100,000.00 for Foreign Missions. What a spiritual investment of money is this with eternal dividends. The Lord be praised for such Baptists!

**State Missions.**

Your Executive Board believes that in many respects State Missions is the very heart of all our work. If State Missions prospers, all the rest of our work can be adequately cared for and set forward. State Missions may be written down as the constant and necessary friend and supporter of Association Missions, the conservator of Home Missions, and the base of supplies for Foreign Missions.

**The Teaching Line Extended and Strengthened.**

Arkansas Baptists in their State Mission work, propose to run the full length of the Great Commission. The evangelizing Commission is complemented and complimented by the teaching Commission. The two are one. What God has joined together Baptists must not put asunder. The teaching end of the Commission has all the authority back of it that the evangelizing end has. We can not go into details, but we rejoice to report that all the year great emphasis has been put on stewardship, enlightenment, training, and efficiency. The Assistant Secretary, the Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Secretary, and the General Missionaries have given great attention to Bible Schools, Institutes, Mission Rallies, Study-class work, Conferences, and Enlistment work generally. In fact all the missionaries of your Board have put constant emphasis on these fundamental matters. The Home Mission Board is giving us an additional \$4,000.00, for enlistment work this year, and Brother Otto Whittington has been added to our forces as a special enlistment and evangelistic worker. It is extremely gratifying to have this great preacher join our forces. Everything is getting better and a great spirit prevails among our people.

**Church and Denominational Auxiliaries.**

Under the fine leadership of Secretary J. B. Moseley and Secretary of Woman's Work, Mrs. J. G. Jackson, our Sunday

School, B. Y. P. U., and W. M. U. work is going forward in splendid form.

If great wisdom is to mark us, workers in these two departments should be increased. Everything that has life admonishes and beseeches Baptists today to trim up, inform, inspire, spritualize, train, denominationalize, and mobilize our young people.

We have one of the best Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Secretaries in all the land. He reports the following statistics:

Days labored.....	334
Lectures and addresses.....	201
Miles traveled.....	9,050
City Training Schools Conducted.....	4
Institutes and Teachers Training Classes conducted	41
Denominational meetings attended.....	13
No. of Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U.'s organized by all workers.....	136

Secretary Moseley has done a great year's work.

Mrs. J. G. Jackson, Secretary of Woman's Work, reports the following statistics:

Total for all missions by women.....	\$21,002.18
Total for Education.....	3,116.60
Total for Benevolence.....	9,269.89
Total for all denominational interests by the women.....	33,388.67
Total given to local church work.....	23,307.48
Grand total to all religious interests by the women.....	56,696.15

Our women had a great year.

### Mountain Schools.

Under the wise and excellent business management of Superintendent H. D. Morton, our Mountain Schools are doing well, indeed. We were exceedingly fortunate in securing Brother Morton for this work. We now have three Mountain Schools, the third one, Mount View Institute, in Carroll County, having been founded the past year. For this school, a splendid brick building is nearing completion at the expense of the citizens of that community, with the exception of \$1,000.00, which your Board is giving. This school has a bright future. The enrollment in the three Mountain Schools is above 200. The number of teachers in the three schools is fifteen. There are twelve young preachers in the Mountain Home school. To the denomination of the whole State, and to the sections in which they are located, these institutions, your Board believes, are of almost indefinite value. Let us pray for them. Let us improve them.

### **10,000 Boys in Khaki Profess Faith in Christ.**

During the year that has just closed, fully 10,000 soldiers have professed faith in Christ under Baptist preaching at Camp Pike. It is a glorious and joyous achievement. We shall bless God forever more for these days when Calvary conquered khaki by the thousands. Brother J. O. Johnston and his helpers, the pastors of Little Rock, visiting pastors and missionaries of your Board and others, have preached down sin and preached up Christ and God, through the old gospel; and have given a pentecostal year in the camp. In scores of other ways, too, soldiers at Camp Pike have been served by Baptists. Without boasting at all, your Board believes that it is right for this Convention to know that the head Y. M. C. A. Secretary at Camp Pike, said "Baptists have done more for the soldiers in that camp than all the other denominations put together." We should all bless God that we have lived through these great and tragic times.

### **Two New Phases of Our Work.**

This year your Board entered two new fields, fields white already unto the harvest. Pastor W. J. Hinsley, of Booneville, was engaged to do special religious work at the Tuberculosis Sanatorium, and with gratifying results. Brother Hinsley has preached often and regularly to the inmates of this institution; given them free Bibles, Sunday School and other good literature furnished by our Boards; made numerous visits; had many conversions; baptized a goodly number and otherwise blessed the victims of the white plague who are at the Sanatorium for healing. It is a heavenly task and a large opportunity.

The other new field is our work among the negroes. It is not large, but we are going in the right direction. We have a negro missionary and evangelist, Brother William Brewster, of El Dorado. He is a fine character and has done excellent work. During the second quarter he reported 58 conversions and 58 baptisms and some 75 additions. We have furnished him some free literature on soul-winning, stewardship, and distinctive doctrines. Your Board also gave a small amount to the Arkansas Baptist College for the special training of negro preachers. We must do far more for our brothers in black.

### **Baptist Advance and Book House.**

We give here the report of Editor E. J. A. McKinney, Business Manager for the Baptist Advance and Book House, as follows:

#### **Report For Year Ending December First, 1918.**

The present Convention year has been the most trying on newspapers of any for the past decade. Two things that have hindered are the increase in cost of all things that go into the makeup of a paper, and the loss of efficient workman in print

shops. The Baptist Advance has especially felt these two burdens during the year. The editor is frank to say that the burdens have severely taxed his endurance and strength. Still the paper has found favor with the brotherhood, and by the help of the missionaries and other friends, the subscription list was growing nicely until the Influenza epidemic struck us, and, as it is, our receipts for the Advance are among the best we have yet had for any year, being around \$7,500.00, counting charges to missionaries for last quarter, but not included in auditor's report. The actual expenses for the year are very little in excess of that amount. We have almost eliminated patent medicine advertising and yet our advertising has netted an income exceeding any previous year.

The Book House this year will show a small loss, but it does this by paying a part of the manager's salary and hence has helped to care for the office expenses by nearly \$700.00 more than formerly. Besides this it is a means of distributing many good books. Sales have been almost ruined during the Influenza epidemic and hence our stock is heavier than we expected to have on hand at this time.

I now come to express a hope as to the future. For more than 13 years I have pursued the policy of doing the work of the Baptist Advance and the Baptist Book House (when in charge) at the minimum cost in office help. I have done this because we have been passing through many changes and seeking to care for other interests. In doing this I have done much detail work, often using mental energy that ought to have been expended on editorial work. I believe the time has come for a change in this regard. We are in a bigger day for all our enterprises and personally I feel that day should be to the Baptist Advance and Book House also.

Two things I hope to see planned as early as possible, namely, (1) The editing of the paper should be considered a man's job of itself and should be separate from the business management of the paper and Book House.

(2) As early as possible we should carry both to the ground floor so as to be in touch with the people of the city and those coming to the city.

I hope the day is not far ahead for these good changes. As to the first, allow the suggestion that you want your pastor to have time to study in order to preach to you. Why should Arkansas Baptists not give their editor a chance to quit serving books and mailing lists and such like and give his time to prayer and the ministry of the word through his pen?

In closing I wish to thank all who have helped for the year. The paper belongs to the Convention; so does the Book House. They are yours, not mine. Let the denomination do the best thing to be done for both. Give them your help and a big chance for 1919.

E. J. A. McKINNEY.



### The Sunday School Board Strengthens Us.

The Sunday School Board, of Nashville, Tenn., the past year, gave us \$500.00 on the salary of our Sunday School Secretary; gave us books for our Bible Schools, and furnished us thousands of Khaki Testaments, and Sunday School quarterlies for the soldiers at Camp Pike, and gave us \$700.00 in books for colportage work. We are deeply grateful to Dr. Van Ness and his Board for this very substantial help.

### Making a New Reach in Evangelism.

The Evangelistic Campaign in the summer ran with great impetus. The campaign was planned from early spring. Nine gospel tents were purchased, and fifty-three pastors were employed by the Board to recruit our evangelistic forces for the big spiritual drive, and the results were the lines of the sinful enemy fell or fled from the Ozarks to the Mississippi. For some weeks an average of 600 baptisms were reported weekly in the Baptist Advance. It is quite probable that not more than one-half of those actually baptized were reported week by week. We may be strictly conservative therefore, and say that for several weeks Arkansas Baptists were baptizing into their churches an average of 1,200 persons weekly. It was glorious. Angelic joy in heaven, no doubt, broke over into ecstasy and the shimmering harps of the holy choir were retuned for the music of redeeming grace. Next summer, under the blessings of God, with a missionary as a flaming evangel in every association in the State and stout additional forces clear down the line, your Board proposes a holy crusade for souls, a spiritual drive for lost men that will break up and break down the devil's lines from the heads of the creeks to the ends of the rivers. In our emphasis on enlistment, your Board has **not** forgotten evangelism. We say it again with everlasting emphasis that the supreme objective of a New Testament church is to win souls, and we summons now every militant church in this great commonwealth to a new grip on the doctrines of evangelism; to a new emphasis on old-time Holy Spirit revivals of religion, and to a new soul-winning program next year such as heaven never looked down upon in the earth! Let's put Arkansas under the reign of heaven and heaven's King!

### General Summary For the Year.

Number Association Missionaries helped.....	21
Missionaries and other workers.....	194
Days of labor.....	22,782
Miles traveled.....	187,181
Sermons and addresses.....	15,224
Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U.'s organized.....	136
Churches organized.....	16
Conversions, in State.....	2,253
Soldiers converted, near.....	10,000
Baptisms.....	2,337
Total additions.....	3,779

Amount raised for Education.....	\$ 6,980.78
Amount raised for Ministerial Education.....	1,662.37
Amount raised for Endowment.....	22,008.00
Amount raised for Orphanage from all sources.....	13,627.53
Amount raised for Home Missions.....	27,000.00
Amount for Foreign Missions.....	29,948.00
Amount raised for Mary Forbes Home.....	91.50
Amount raised for Training School.....	1,926.23
Amount raised for State Missions.....	56,626.45
Amount special gift to Home Missions.....	100,000.00
Amount special gift to Foreign Missions.....	100,000.00
Amount for Associational Missions.....	27,800.00
Total for all Missions (except Bottoms gift).....	141,374.45
Grand total for all denominational purposes.....	187,670.00
Grand total, including Bottoms gifts.....	387,670.00

### Where We Are and What You Want to Know.

We are at the end of the best year in all our history by great odds. Excepting Christian Education and the note of \$1,-600.00 against the Orphanage, we do not owe one dollar on earth. We spent for State Missions alone, about \$70,000.00 Under the unparalleled blessing of God, the churches, led on by intrepid pastors and laymen, paid for the year's work and we have a balance as follows:

S. W. Seminary.....	\$ 61.65
Orphans' Home.....	433.11
Old Ministers' Relief.....	435.89
Ministerial Education. Nothing, but no debt.	
State Missions, above.....	8,000.00
Real Estate.....	2,542.91

For it all we give unto the name of Jehovah of Hosts unstinted praise and honor and glory and power and dominion forever more!

### AN ENLARGEMENT OF OUR FIVE-YEAR PROGRAM NECESSARY TO CONSERVE TO US THE BENEFITS OF THE WORLD WAR.

These times are colossal and fateful. The mightiest event in its influence on earth and heaven since Pentecost has just transpired. Our day is vast in all of its measurements. This is the day for giant thoughts and deeds. All former standards have been shattered to slivers. What is equally significant, too, for us, is that these times are pregnant with Baptist ideas and doctrines. With white flags, the whole enemy army is racing toward the Baptist lines. A great door and effectual is opened unto us. A little Baptist, a diminutive Baptist now is a tragedy, and a calamity. He will be laughed out of court. Arkansas Baptists are tonight at the forks of the road. We are face to face

with the most meaningful hour since Paul, a time when a great religious body such as ours must take the big main highway of constructive progress or be turned away on some narrow gauge road which would lose us the most tremendous opportunity that has ever come our way. Running a line around the whole circle and expressing our potentialities and possibilities in a few figures, we are altogether able to win to Christ and baptize 25,000 souls in 1919 and increase Baptist efficiency through teaching and training 100 per cent and to raise \$250,000.00 for missions, \$100,000.00 for a Baptist Hospital, \$100,000.00 to pay our education obligations and improve our schools, \$200,000.00 paid in for the endowment of Ouachita College and \$50,000.00 for Orphanage work, \$700,000.00 in all, and then come out of the fight at the end of the year still rich, the wealth of our laymen having hardly been touched. Comparatively, we say **comparatively**, we have been and are doing well, even gloriously, but in the fear of God and in deep cold reality, we are piddling, piddling poorly at the mightiest and most colossal task to which the great omnipotent God of all the universe ever put his hand, and the only task in which God does his best. Putting our poor piddling over against God's last best, we must cringe away in a corner with shame. Maeterlinck has written, "At every crossing of the road that leads to the future, each progressive spirit is opposed by a thousand men appointed to guard the past." Looking back on the cold dead past instead of facing and saluting the glories of an enlarged and enlarging future! Think of a Baptist guarding the bones of the past! How pathetic and how tragic! As Sir Isaac Newton would express it, there is an ocean of truth for Baptists in this statement of Maeterlinck. The past is safe. We must make the present and future safe for Baptists. We must not flicker on God in a world crisis. Our five-year program ought to be doubled and more to conserve to us and the generations after us the marvelous religious benefits of the world war. We must not fumble our denominational destiny. Every living Baptist ought to catch the breath of this age.

Here is the breath of this age. The immortal pledge found on the bloody page of an Iowa soldier's notebook after he had fallen in France, read:

"America shall win the war;  
Therefore, I will work,  
I will save,  
I will sacrifice,  
I will endure,  
I will fight cheerfully, and  
I will do my utmost,  
As if the whole issue depended on me alone."

## FRIDAY MORNING SESSION.

52. Called to order by the President. After song service, conducted by Mrs. L. P. Coleman and prayers led by C. E. Dicken and L. E. Barton, motion carried to give Hight C. Moore, Editorial Secretary of the Sunday School Board, the privilege of discussing the work of the Sunday School Board. Brother Moore gave an outline of what is being done, and of plans for enlargement of the scope of the work of the Board.

53. President J. W. Conger read the report of the Board of Trustees of Central College. The report of the Board of Trustees of Ouachita College was read by President C. E. Dicken. By order of the Convention, the reports were received as information and are printed below:

### REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CENTRAL COLLEGE, Read by President J. W. Conger.

#### Patronage.

The patronage of the present year is in advance of any other in the history of the College. The total enrollment to date equals the total yearly enrollment of 1916-17, which was the largest in the history of the College, (202). The number of boarders is 134, local students, 68.

We are paying \$600 for the second floor of a large brick residence adjoining the campus, and for several rooms in homes. The young ladies take their meals in the College. We will arrange for a few more boarders after the holidays.

We turned away a number of pupils at our opening, and by pressing the campaign in August, we could have secured another hundred boarders, but we had no building accommodations. Our patronage is splendidly distributed throughout the State.

The Senior class of the past year left as memorial to the College, two electric arch-ways spanning the columns at the entrance of the campus—these cost \$385.00. The Senior class of the present year has purchased \$250.00 worth of Liberty Bonds and later in the year will determine what disposition to make of them.

#### Health.

The health of the students in Central College during the past eight or ten years has been phenomenally good. There has been no serious sickness in the College. We escaped the influenza

the first part of the season by quarantining against town students and all others, we did not miss a class, but after the quarantine was lifted a number of girls became infected. We decided it wise to close the college at once (November 29), and sent home all students who were not infected. This has all worked out splendidly, and all of the girls who were sick have now returned home and the College has been disinfected, so that we will be in good condition to open on January 7, after the holidays. None of the students will lose standing in classes, as we will make up the lost time at the close of the spring term.

### **Religious Activities.**

To those who have seen the work in Central College, it is not necessary to say that the spirit is truly religious. The fact that every girl in the school is enlisted in religious work is itself significant. But, to be more definite, the following activities represent the efforts of Central College to make the school a real Christian institution:

### **The Bible Department.**

This department is under the direction of Mrs. Maude Ford Groom, a graduate of Central College, and also of the South-western Theological Seminary. Two full courses, one in Old Testament, and one in New Testament, are required of all students who graduate from the College. Large numbers who do not expect to graduate take these courses voluntarily and are greatly benefited.

### **The Teacher Training Department.**

This department is also under the direction of Mrs. Groom. Regular college credit is given for the completion of the entire Normal Course as outlined by the Sunday School Board. More than a dozen have enrolled for this work. In addition to the regular class work, there is quite a large number of students who are taking part of the course in order to be equipped for service, but without obtaining college credit. More than thirty students of various denominations began this study with Dr. Dargan's book, "The Doctrines of Our Faith."

### **The B. Y. P. U.**

Inasmuch as the B. Y. P. U. is a part of the regular church work, it has been found best to relate the activity of our students with the local B. Y. P. U. Hence, the young women of Central College constitute one group of the B. Y. P. U. of the First Baptist Church. A large and enthusiastic group has been organized which meets regularly at the church.

### **The Y. W. C. A.**

This organization does not entirely meet the needs of our institution, but so far, it has not been deemed advisable to supplant

it. The organization is, however, under Baptist leadership, and gives its attention to Baptist movements. This year it has been the avenue of approach to the student body through which \$200 have been raised for State Missions; \$100 for Foreign Missions, and \$300 for the Student Loan Fund. It is our purpose to organize in the College a department of the Y. W. C. A. adjunct to the local organization, and working much in the same manner as the B. Y. P. U. works. Just now, however, the local church has no organization of this kind, but we hope that it will be possible within the next few months.

### **Other Activities.**

In addition to the above, there are, of course, the usual Sunday School and preaching services at the church, all the students being required to take part every Sunday. The daily chapel services and the Scripture readings and talks after the evening meal are a fixed part of the program.

### **Student Government.**

At the beginning of last year, we inaugurated a modified form of student government. During the entire year not a case of discipline came before the President or the Faculty. The student council has had under its jurisdiction all cases of slight demeanor. The student organization is quite thorough; the student body recognizes and responds cheerfully to the high standards of student life, and the spirit of co-operation between faculty and student body is admirable in every way.

### **The Obligation For Pianos.**

In our report to the last Convention, we mentioned a contract which had been entered into with the Hollenberg Music Company, involving the rental or purchase of twenty-three pianos, including three Knabe Grands. The total cost, if purchased, is \$5,400.00. It is thought wise that we make a purchase of these pianos, because the rent for three years would cost us about as much as the purchase price would amount to. It was the purpose of the President to raise this money during January and February of the past year, but owing to the death in his family the first of January, and to the unusually severe weather, he could not carry out his purpose. If our pastors and churches will open the way for him, he will carry out this purpose during the next Educational Campaign.

Public collections for any college will soon dig its grave. Except in a great emergency, the President should never take a collection. The College should have its permanent agent who gives all his time to the financial affairs of the College and studies methods of raising money.

The following parties have given \$150.00 each: J. Frank Jones, Dr. J. P. Runyan, Dr. J. H. Estes, R. S. Boyd, R. N. Garrett.

The pianos are absolutely indispensable, as much so as the employment of teachers of piano, or the purchase of apparatus for laboratory. The terms of purchase are the best we have ever known, and friends of the College, who understand the situation, will not have words of censure, but will respond by helping us in the liquidation of the debt.

### Central College Loan Fund.

We reported last year \$981.02. The following amount has been added the past year:

E. E. Jones, Mt. Vernon, \$5; Fidelis Class, First Church, Little Rock, \$2.75; W. M. U., Nashville, \$6.25; Ladies' Aid, DeQueen, \$2.50; W. M. U., Fort Smith, \$5; W. M. S., Walnut Ridge, \$5; W. M. U., Nettleton, .50; W. M. U., Searcy, \$2.50; W. M. U., Hope, \$5; W. M. U., Thornton, \$2.50; W. M. U., Stamps, \$2.50; Mrs. W. M. Patton, \$5; W. M. S., Nashville, \$5; Y. W. A. Conway, \$4; Avis Reeves for 2nd Church, Little Rock, \$10; Searcy, \$2.50; Benton, \$2.50; W. M. U., Texarkana, \$5; W. M. S., Cabot, \$5; W. M. S., Van Buren, \$4; W. M. U., England, \$5; Prue Eidson, \$5; Mary King, Bentonville, \$5; Loretta McGraw, \$5; Ruby Stinson, \$5; Mrs. Weatheral, \$5; Belle Norseworthy, \$5; Neal Cole, \$5; Leo Burton, \$5; War Savings Stamps, by Central College Girls, \$16.60. Total, \$144.10.

Total amount of Fund at present, \$1,125.12.

Central College girls have pledged this year in their budget, \$300; thus making \$1,425.12.

### Enlargement.

The Board of Trustees last year made its strongest plea to the Convention to create some form of organization which would give Central College the financial help needed for enlargement and equipment. Will not this Convention project a plan that will bring results?

Central College does not ask special favors. She asks simply a place in the esteem of the Convention which she deserves, because of what she represents.

Central College must go forward and make room for its increasing patronage, or backward and finally out. We cannot stand still and should not do so. Our ideal is high, shall we move up to it? It is with you, Gentlemen of the Convention. With our present faculty we could teach about one hundred more pupils if we had room for them. It would be economy in money and would multiply our power for good a hundred fold.

The cost of education is constantly increasing. Salaries of teachers are larger and Libraries and Laboratories are in greater demand. All running expenses are larger and we cannot advance fees sufficiently large to meet all expenses. In former years a substantial profit was realized but that day is passed. Competition is sharp and hence we must not place ourselves beyond the reach of our patrons.

### Endowment.

There is a great central stream in our civil, social and denominational life, and only the college in the center of this stream will ultimately survive. Where there is doubt as to permanency and perpetuity, there will soon be scant patronage. No graduate wishes to become an orphan by the death of his Alma Mater.

The unendowed college is becoming more and more impossible. Adequate equipment and teaching forces demand it.

No longer, as in the past, is it possible to farm out the education of our girls to institutions which are primarily interested in making money. We must not any longer pauperize the souls of our girls by sending them to finishing schools that have no positive educational or religious power.

### Financial Report by D. S. Campbell.

A brief review of the receipts and disbursements for the past year will reveal the fact that the College has been confronted with problems fully as perplexing as could be found in any line of activity. The boarding department as well as the school proper have not been able to advance prices in proportion to the advance in cost of teachers, food, servants and supplies. We have not reduced the number of instructors because of the fact that practically the same force is necessary to handle 150 students as would be necessary for 250.

The extreme uncertainty brought about by war conditions previous to last session was, we think, largely responsible for the shortage in enrollment, which was below that of the previous year and considerably below that of the current year.

In order to meet these conditions, we refrained from making some very much needed improvements, our total bill for repairs and improvements for the year being only \$664.75. Necessarily, that will cause the bill for repairs and improvements to be much larger for the current year than would have been the case otherwise.

You will note from the auditor's statement that new pianos to the amount of \$5,400.00 have been added to the equipment of the school. By order of the Board of Trustees, this amount, less what had been paid by donations, has been placed upon the books and is to be taken care of out of the revenues of the College. Seven hundred and fifty dollars was collected and paid by private donations, as will be seen elsewhere in this Bulletin, and the balance, \$4,650, together with interest is shown as a liability and is included in the annual statement.

In the items below marked "deficit," such items may be accounted for as representing improvements and additions to the value of the College property.

In the notes receivable account, there are notes to the amount of \$1,617.05, which have been carried for some time, and which



are doubtful of collection. These, I think, should be charged off the books, and hence, will make our liabilities that much larger.

Below is a copy of the auditor's report with the exception of the detailed sheets containing bank reconciliation, accounts receivable, accounts payable, bills receivable and bills payable. Also a summary of the expenditures for repairs, improvements, equipment, canvassing, and advertising for the seven years of Dr. Conger's administration.

Board of Trustees, Central College,  
Conway, Arkansas.

Gentlemen:

At the request of your Business Manager, Mr. Campbell, we have made an examination of the accounts of your college for the school year ending June 30th, 1918. The accompanying statements and schedules set forth the condition as shown by the books at the date mentioned above.

You will note from the statement of Revenues and Expenses that the revenues have exceeded the expenses for the school year from July 1st, 1917, to July 1st, 1918, by \$1,476.55. This is a most satisfactory showing in the face of the increased cost of all living expenses.

In the list of non-ledger bills unpaid we have taken what Mr. Campbell stated was owing on this item, but we believe it is correctly represented.

The accounts were in a satisfactory condition and showed evidence of the desire to keep them as outlined.

Yours faithfully,

Taylor E. Cress & Co.

By (Taylor E. Cress),

Certified Pub. Accountant.

Memphis, Tenn., August 27, 1918.

## CONDENSED STATEMENT.

### ASSETS.

#### Current.

Cash in Office.....	\$ 91.10
Bills Receivable.....	318.60
Notes Receivable.....	3,256.80
Accounts Receivable.....	1,758.21

#### Inventories.

Salesroom .....	\$721.68	
Fuel .....	388.00	
Janitors Supplies.....	167.50	
Pantry Supplies .....	645.60	
Lumber .....	150.00	\$ 2,072.78
Furnishings, Pianos, Etc. ....	7,569.41	
Improvements .....	484.79	
Real Estate and Buildings.....	75,000.00	—\$90,551.69

## LIABILITIES.

Overdrafts Bank of Conway.....	\$ 291.61	
Accounts Payable Per List.....	2,777.39	
Notes Payable .....	11,294.85	
Non-Ledger Bills Unpaid.....	1,229.90	\$15,593.75
Contributions .....		56,714.00
Prepaid Income 1918-1919.....		826.50
Arkansas Baptist State Convention.....		20,696.93
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Revenues in Excess of Expenses.....	\$1,476.55	
Old Deficit Per Statement.....	4,756.04	—\$ 3,279.49

## STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES

## REVENUES.

Fees, Tuition, and Board Collected.....	\$31,967.12	
Fees, Tuition, and Board Collectable.....	1,738.45	—\$33,705.57
Revenues from Centralian.....		21.00
Diplomas Fees.....		116.17
Home .....		41.50
Salary Account Credit.....		25.00
Salesroom .....	\$462.07	
Non-Ledger Bills.....	34.54	496.61
Inventory .....		721.68— 225.07
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Uniforms .....		290.06
Lyceum .....		293.25
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		\$34,717.62

## EXPENSES.

Refunds .....		\$ 401.00
Fuel, Light and Water .....	\$2,142.13	
Less Inventory.....	388.00	— 1,754.13
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General Expense.....	1,291.33	
Non-Ledger .....	285.87	
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	\$1,577.20	
Less Inventory.....	167.50	— 1,409.70
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Food .....	6,666.34	
Non-Ledger .....	— 509.63	
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	7,175.97	
Less Inventory.....	645.60	— 6,530.37
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Servants .....		3,383.20
Stationery and Printing.....		122.67
Office Expense.....	481.35	
Non-Ledger .....	58.92	540.27

Telephone and Telegraph .....		88.80
Canvassing .....	2,055.40	
Non-Ledger .....	25.20	2,080.60
Library .....		231.98
Advertising .....		311.75
Repairs and Renewals.....	644.05	
Non-Ledger .....	20.70	
	644.75	
Less Inventory.....	150.00—	514.75
Interest .....	148.58	
Interest per Ledger.....	246.23—	394.81
Traveling Expenses .....		81.00
Insurance .....		81.00
Attorney's Fees .....		10.00
Laundry .....	1,162.82	1,361.31
Non-Ledger .....	82.30	1,361.31
Infirmary .....	254.09	
Non-Ledger .....	82.30	336.39
General School Expense.....		733.50
Officers' Salaries.....		3,610.10
Teachers' Salaries.....		8,995.56
Auto Expense.....	288.99	
Non-Ledger .....	14.25	303.24
		\$33,241.07
Revenues in Excess of Expenses This Year....		1,476.55

#### DISTRIBUTION OF FEES, TUITION AND BOARD ACCOUNT.

Board .....	\$12,460.05	Art .....	802.25
Room .....	1,511.25	Domestic Science.....	\$ 1,742.75
Laundry .....	1,627.10	Matriculation .....	611.67
Literary .....	4,223.70	Medical Fees.....	465.00
Piano .....	4,013.70	Physical Culture.....	650.20
Voice .....	1,055.40	Business Course.....	30.00
Violin .....	848.70	Fees .....	5.00
Theory .....	485.05		
Piano Practice.....	947.25		
Expression .....	2,226.50		\$33,705.57

A tabulated report of each year's expenditures for the past seven years is as follows:

	Repairs and Improvements.	Equipment and Furnishings.	Canvassing and Advertising.
1911-12 .....	\$ 4,390.29	\$ 2,597.11	\$ 3,078.68
1912-13 .....	1,290.26	712.73	1,768.35
1913-14 .....	2,003.57	1,756.98	1,330.00
1914-15 .....	2,238.45	4,200.00	2,476.63
1915-16 .....	1,315.00	649.37	1,979.84
1916-17 .....	1,442.66	1,396.81	2,895.32
1917-18 .....	664.75	5,400.00	2,391.35
	<u>\$13,344.98</u>	<u>\$16,713.00</u>	<u>\$15,920.17</u>

Signed, D. S. CAMPBELL, Vice President.

## REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES, OUACHITA COLLEGE.

No more important day for Christian Education has ever arisen than this day and at no time in the history of Christian Education have its obligations been so heavy and its opportunities so extensive. It has never needed a vindication to the mind of thoughtful people, though the vindication of Christian Education has unavoidably forced itself not only into the mind of the nation, but into the mind of the world in the making of the past four years of history.

It has been thought by some that Education is sufficient. Others have intimated that religion is sufficient, especially in the beginnings of our history. Both are errors, the latter the more pardonable of course. We must not have less religion but more education and we cannot afford to have education without the religious element which establishes the background and the necessity for Christian Education so aptly defined as "Education under Christian auspices for Christian ends." Attention should be called in this connection to the difference between Christian Education and denominational Christian Education. Denominational schools are all operated and are supposed to be controlled to the end that Christian Education, as applied by the particular denomination in the emphasis of certain ecclesiastical principles, is to be so applied as to lay particular stress up on the fundamental principles necessary for the upbuilding and perpetuity of the denomination maintaining the school. In other words, Christian Education as applied by Baptists in their Denominational State School must be so applied as to lay particular emphasis upon the fundamental principles of the faith and practice of Baptists.

The necessity for this observation and the new stress that must be laid upon it is, in our judgment paramount, not only as we view the aggressive field of competition, but especially is it important, when we have forced upon our consciousness a certain element of this new day which would, if it were able, break

down all denominational boundary lines and destroy all particularly denominational enterprises. While it is true that Christian Education has been abundantly vindicated, it is also true that Denominational Christian Education has yet to come fully into its own. Ouachita College has a potential constituency of 125,000 Baptists in our State besides a fair chance to reach those of other faiths around us, and some slight patronage from other states. This is a remarkable field for service and Ouachita is the main factor for rendering the service.

It is true that the bulk of this constituency is a field instead of a force. But it is a potential force. It is our duty to develop it. It may be said for our encouragement, that some progress has been made towards this end. The Southern Baptist Convention appropriated \$10,000 in 1914, to stimulate us to wipe out our debts, thus demonstrating the faith of that great body in the possibilities of our State and in Ouachita as the instrument of usefulness in developing them. Our State constituency, with this help, has paid off in cash, \$106,565 in debts and put up \$95,000 approximately for endowment since 1912, the endowment having been raised since 1916. The State Central Board of Missions is now paying the salary of a field agent besides agreeing to carry the College's operating deficits up to \$9,000 per year. It is worthy to note that the debt paying for the most part was done in the year 1914, when cotton went down to five and six cents a pound. It may be also worthy to note that Arkadelphians have paid more than \$70,000 on the debt of the College, and have furnished about \$70,000 of the endowment, making a total of \$35.00 per capita for the population of the town, and \$70 per capita for the white Baptist population. While this might be thought to show a lamentable state of affairs outside Arkadelphia, it in reality shows what Ouachita College can do for people whom it reaches intensively. Much encouragement may be found in Ouachita College's contribution to current life and history. One item is particularly challenging. Kentucky, Florida, Virginia, Texas and Oklahoma, besides Arkansas, are reaping conspicuous benefits from pastoral leadership trained in Ouachita College. The College has more than three hundred boys in the Army and eighty per cent of them are officers holding rank up to Colonel—three majors, a score of captains, etc. The law, medicine and various arts are richer for our contribution. Several of the most prominent business men of this state are alumni of Ouachita. Outside of our contributions to the pulpit, probably our greatest contribution to the life of the times is in the large number of our students who have gone to the public schools of this and other states as teachers. We have kept abreast with all the institutions in the state in the furnishing of the common school teachers, which process as you know, will eventually put our stamp on the State. The stamp must be worthy.

In the financial management of the College it is encouraging to note that the present administration has insisted on presenting every year, as has been done this year, a statement of audit from high class certified accountants and has courted the most searching publicity in this as well as to all matters pertaining to the

operating of the College. As a result we now have a high credit rating in local and state banks. Besides this, all endowment funds are handled by a bonded committee separate and distinct from the institution, and the College could not mismanage them if it wanted to. No part of the endowment is invested in grounds or buildings of the institution. We can say without reservation, that the organization and management at Ouachita merit the confidence and warrant the help of those interested in financing education.

### **Faculty.**

We find that the Faculty at Ouachita College is worthy and adequate, not only because of their several abilities to fill the positions which they occupy, but because also of the Christian influence individually exerted by them throughout the student body and community. Every member of the Ouachita Faculty is a consistent member of the Baptist Church save two. Prof. L. H. Mitchell, who is serving his eleventh year as Director of the Conservatory, and whose exemplary life is known to all, is a member of the Presbyterian Church. Prof. Alfred Hall, Head of the Voice Department in the Conservatory, at present in the employ of the First Baptist Church of Arkadelphia as Organist, in connection with his work at the College, and serving his third year at Ouachita College, is also a member of the Presbyterian Church, and is an exemplary Christian gentleman.

### **Ministerial Education.**

That this is an important department in Ouachita College is fully recognized by the President and Faculty of the College, as well as the Board of Trustees. Last year there were thirty-three ministerial students in the College. This year there are twenty-five. A considerable loss to be sure, but somewhat encouraging in the end, in view of the fact that so great a drain has been accomplished through the selective draft, and the emphasis of world conditions. The twenty-five ministerial students of this year are classified as follows: Preparatory Department 5, Freshmen 7, Sophomores 2, Junior 4, and Senior 7. Dr. A. M. Croxton, who is a graduate of Furman University, and a graduate and post-graduate of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, has charge of this Department. For the last two years it has been necessary to make some inroad on his teaching time, in order to take care of the surplus in other departments, particularly the department of mathematics. It is helpful to note that this year and for the future, his whole time will be devoted to his department, which offers new and exceptional advantages for those in training for the gospel ministry.

### **Students Army Training Corps.**

About the first of September, in company with about six hundred other colleges and universities in the United States, Ouachita College was offered and asked by the War Department,

to accept a unit of the Students Army Training Corps. In company with these other institutions and many others who requested it, Ouachita College accepted this trust on the part of the Government, and entered into a contract with the War Department, which provided that the College was to construct at its own expense, on condition that it would be re-embursed for the cost of construction, two regulation army barracks for the accommodation of sixty-six men each, one mess hall for the accommodation of one hundred forty men, and one latrine and guard house adequate to meet requirements, the War Department furnishing plans and specifications for construction. This the College did, at an approximate cost of \$6,000, borrowing for the purpose, \$5,000, on its own credit at the Merchants and Planters Bank, Arkadelphia, Arkansas. For the maintenance of the S. A. T. C., the contract specified in addition to construction, that the institution would receive one dollar per day per man for housing and subsistence and an additional thirty cents per day per man for tuition. The College received some 600 applications for entrance into the Students Army Training Corps, the largest per cent of whom were rejected because they could not meet the scholastic requirement. Many more than the quota, one hundred thirty-two men, made application, who might have been accepted had it been possible for the College to accommodate them. The College has had one hundred thirty-two men in the Students Army Training Corps since its mobilization in the early days of October. Upon the declaring of the Armistice the order came from the War Department to demobilize the S. A. T. C. not later than December 21, of this year, together with a statement that the College would be justly protected in its construction cost. It cannot be stated at this time definitely as to the number of students who will leave the College upon the demobilization of the S. A. T. C., but it may be reasonably expected that the larger per cent of them will do so in view of the fact that it was not contemplated in the beginning for the unit to remain intact during the scholastic year. The demobilization of the S. A. T. C. will therefore work a distinct hardship upon the institution in point of attendance for the balance of the year.

### Attendance.

The total enrollment at the present time is 366 against 249 at the same period of last year. This year's enrollment is divided as follows: 138 girls, and 228 boys; 78 girls in the Young Ladies' Home and 16 girls in the Industrial Home; 132 boys in the S. A. T. C.; total enrollment for the year to this date, 366. It is likely that the total enrollment for this year will approximate 400, while the total enrollment of last year was 264. It will be seen that last year our enrollment was considerably decreased, because of the selective draft, while this year it has so far been considerably increased in the establishment of the S. A. T. C., which we are now about to lose in most part because of the demobilization plan. It must be observed that the demobilization of the S. A. T. C. will not only materially effect the educational

morale throughout the entire nation, but will work unspeakable hardship upon all institutions maintaining the unit and especially those which are not co-educational. This fact offers a challenge to our people, encouraging us to use every means at our disposal in the building up of attendance at our Colleges.

### **Increased Cost of Operation.**

Based upon an estimate made by our certified public accountant of this year, the increased cost of operation in connection with our dormitories, is legitimately 60%. We are receiving the same amount for Board, etc., this year as was charged last year. This increased cost in living expenses has made it necessary to increase the salaries of the teachers an approximate 10% in order to make their positions tenable. In view of the fact that the high cost of operation is not likely to substantially decrease during the period of re-construction, it is obvious that some provisions must be maintained to take care of the legitimate deficits of the institution. It is highly important in this connection to give special attention to our endowment campaign.

Adopted by the Board of Trustees in Session at Little Rock, Arkansas, December 12, 1918.

W. N. ADAMS,  
President, Board Trustees.

C. C. TOBEY,  
Secretary, Board Trustees.

54. The report of the Committee on Education was read by E. P. Alldredge. After discussion by E. P. Alldredge, J. W. Conger, C. E. Dicken, J. R. G. White, H. L. Winburn, W. N. Adams, L. M. Sipes, the time for discussion expired. The matter was carried over for further consideration at a later time.

55. After discussion by A. H. Autry, relative to striking out that part relative to possible discontinuance of Mountain Schools, by common consent, that part was stricken out.

56. Motion carried that the report be recommitted with instruction to fit the phraseology to describe our educational debts accurately. The phraseology was changed and accepted.

57. Devotional services were conducted by E. P. J. Garrott.

58. H. G. Pugh, auditor for the Executive Board, read his report.



Motion that the report, together with the general statements in the auditor's report, regarding the several institutions be received as information and printed in the minutes, was adopted.

### AUDITOR'S REPORT.

Little Rock, Ark., December 11, 1918.

#### ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION:

Complying with your wishes that I attend to the employment of accountant to audit the books of the different business enterprises of the Convention, I wish to report that, in counsel with other members of the Executive Board, Mr. Taylor E. Cress, certified accountant, was employed for the year for a total amount of \$600.00. The work has included the audit of the State Mission and Christian Educational accounts of General Secretary, J. S. Rogers, Baptist Advance, Book Department, Ouachita College, Central College and the Orphans' Home. The amount due Mr. Cress has been apportioned among the above departments, and they have been asked to pay same. The auditor and his assistants have kept in close touch with the work on the books, and have recommended improved methods and systems for saving labor and securing better records. Mr. Cress also sums up the Convention year's work with a complete report of each department, and I have had this bound into one volume and will deliver same to the General Secretary.

I believe that the work of the auditor this year has been highly satisfactory to those in charge of the different denominational enterprises, and I feel too, that this report, accessible to any one interested, will be of great value and should be the basis for information in discussions of our financial affairs and future plans.

It is to be hoped that this work will continue from year to year, as it is undoubtedly a protection to those in charge of the books, as well as to the Convention, and will result not only in more accurate records but in better methods and a higher standard of efficiency all along the line.

Respectfully submitted,

H. G. PUGH

#### GENERAL LETTER TO AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Under contract with you I have audited the books of J. S. Rogers, General Secretary, Baptist Advance, Baptist Book House, Ouachita College, Central College, Orphans' Home for the period of one year from December 1, 1917, and you will find on the following pages in the order named above the complete reports covering this work.

At the beginning of my contract with you there was installed at each of these places, except the Orphans' Home, a complete set of books and records necessary to the proper keeping of the accounts, and the handling of funds, I am pleased to advise you that these systems have been closely adhered to, and that the accounts of all the institutions are in a satisfactory condition, the exceptions as noted in these reports.

If there is any part of these reports which is not clear to you, or if additional information is desired upon any point within the scope of this work, please advise me, and I shall be glad to assist you further.

### RECORDS OF GENERAL SECRETARY.

According to contract with your Committee, I have audited the books of J. S. Rogers, General Secretary for the period from December 1, 1917, to December 1, 1918, and hand you herewith the report covering the situation as found.

#### General Conditions.

The accounts have been well kept, and the system as outlined at the beginning of our contract has been closely followed. A complete audit of the income from all sources revealed that the funds were properly accounted for and distributed. Satisfactory vouchers were in evidence for all disbursements.

At the beginning of our arrangement with you, Christian Education Fund was segregated from the other accounts, and has since been kept on a separate set of books.

All Receipts and Disbursements of this department are properly accounted for as shown herein.

#### Assets and Liabilities.

On pages 2 and 3, you will find a statement of Assets and Liabilities of both the State Missions and the Christian Education books. I believe that the items composing these statements are fully set out, and are explicit, except, perhaps, the Deficit of \$27,861.56, which was shown in the Auditor's report of 12-1-17. This item having originated prior to the period covered by my audit, I am not in a position to advise disposition of it, but certainly it should not be permitted to stand on the books as it now does. Some steps should be taken to determine its origin and make necessary entries to dispose of it, or we should be advised as to its disposition by someone in authority.

#### Expenditures and Income.

On pages 4 and 5, will be found statements covering in detail, all receipts and all disbursements of the State Missions and

the Christian Education Funds. Also a recapitulation showing the condition of the Funds after reserving 2% of all collections for the Real Estate Purchase and Maintenance.

In considering this statement you will, of course, bear in mind that it was made as of December 1st, and that many collections will be received on last year's accounts between this time and the date of your Convention. You will doubtless have a supplementary report from the Secretary covering these collections.

### **ADVANCE AND BOOK STORE.**

Pursuant to contract with your Committee, I have audited the books of the Baptist Advance and the Baptist Book Store, for the period from 12-1-17, to 12-1-18, and hand you herewith the report of the condition at 12-1-18.

#### **General Conditions.**

The books and records of these departments were in a most chaotic condition, due, to a certain extent, to the fact that two or three changes in bookkeepers have been necessary during the past twelve months. We find that there is no one in this department capable of doing the book work, and some arrangement should be made at once to have the accounts properly kept. The system is so devised that the operations of the two departments are to be kept distinct, and the actual work necessary to keep the accounts is minimum.

A thorough check of cash received and disbursed has been possible and we found that the funds were properly accounted for, and that the cash was over on December 1, \$37.94.

This statement is found on Page One, and the items contained therein are fully set out elsewhere in the report.

#### **Expenses and Revenues.**

A separate statement of Expenses and Revenue for the two departments will be found on Page 2, showing a Net Gain from the Book House of \$455.94, and a Net Loss from the Advance of \$1,133.98 for the year. We are not taking into consideration, in the statement of Revenues and Expenses for the Advance, any unpaid subscriptions, and we have allowed credit in this statement for all prepaid subscriptions.

The inventory of books on hand was furnished by the management, and was not verified by us.

### **OUACHITA COLLEGE.**

As per contract with your Committee, I have audited the books of the Ouachita Baptist College, Arkadelphia, Arkansas, for the period from October 15, 1917, to November 23, 1918, and I hand you herein the report showing results of this audit.

### General Conditions.

The books and records were in a very satisfactory condition and showed that much diligence had been used in the effort to conform to the new system which was installed at the beginning of the contract.

Vouchers were on file for all disbursements, and an analysis of the students' ledger showed that all money collected had been duly accounted for.

As shown by the Statement of Revenues and Expenses on page No. 2, herewith, the school has had a very successful year, the loss for operations for the period covered by this report being \$3,345.92. With a net Loss over and above the funds received from the Endowment Interest and the refund from Mr. Huie on old accounts paid by the College last year, of \$724.71. You will please bear in mind, in considering this statement, that it covers operations from September 1, 1917, to September 1, 1918, the beginning and end of the school term, including the summer vacation; and that we have used as inventories in this statement the expenses paid since September 1, 1918, on the 1918-19 term. We have also added to expenses actually paid from September 1, 1917, to September 1, 1918, the like inventories which we used in our last year's report making the accounts correct for the period of this statement.

### Receipts and Disbursements.

On page 3 and 3A, of this report we have tabulated the actual receipts and disbursements from October 15, 1917, to November 23, 1918, showing by months all money received and expenses and from what source received and for what account expended. This statement shows that the expenditures for this period exceeded the receipts by \$8,197.55. The notes on Pianos which were mentioned in our last year's report, and repairs and improvements to the amount of \$7,338.96, are partly the cause of these heavy disbursements. Fire Insurance premiums, amounting to \$759.39, have also been paid during this period. We are pleased to note in this connection, that your President has taken additional insurance on Buildings as per our suggestion of last year.

The canvassing and advertising account appears to be excessive, but other than this, we believe the expenditures to be well within reason.

### CENTRAL COLLEGE.

As per contract with your Committee, we have completed the audit of the books of Central College, Conway, Arkansas, and hand you herein the report showing conditions as we found them on November 19, 1918:

### **General Conditions.**

The books have been well kept, and the system which was installed at the beginning of our contract has been closely adhered to.

We consider the financial condition of the College at this time to be poor. There are many past due accounts which should be taken care of, and at the same time a strong line is being borrowed from the local banks. It may be possible to work these matters off out of funds collected from this session's tuition, but if it is done, the strictest rules of economical management will have to be enforced.

All funds collected have been duly accounted for and sufficient vouchers are on hand in evidence of all disbursements.

### **Receipts and Disbursements.**

We are unable to furnish a tabulated statement of Receipts and Disbursements in this report for the reason that the system of accounts as used for a portion of this period do not reflect the actual Cash Receipts and Disbursements in a way to make the tabulating of such a statement practicable. The present system, however, will enable us to furnish such a statement in the future.

### **Expenses and Revenues.**

On Page 12 will be found statement of Revenues and Expenses from 7-1-17, to 7-1-18, and on Page 2 will be found a like statement covering period from 7-1-18, to 11-19-18. It has been the custom at Central College to close their books as of July 1st, each year; therefore this additional statement.

### **Assets and Liabilities.**

You will find on Page One a statement of Assets and Liabilities as of November 19, 1918. The items shown on Credit side of this statement of \$20,696.93, covers the amount of notes assumed by your Convention and mentioned in Auditor's report as of July 1, 1917. All other items, we believe, are properly listed, and show for themselves.

We have made no change in values of properties except to add amounts paid on new pianos.

The inventories of supplies were furnished by the management as were the accounts payable, but we believe these items are properly represented.

We believe that you will find the statements and lists shown herein sufficiently explicit for your needs, but should there be further information desired, we shall be glad to furnish it.

## ORPHANS' HOME.

Under the arrangement with your Committee, I have audited the books of the Arkansas Baptist Orphans' Home, from November 14, 1917, to November 14, 1918, and submit the following report which reflects a true condition of same as shown by the records.

While the books have not been kept with any system sufficient vouchers and records were readily available to reflect the condition as shown by this report.

The items of Salaries, \$41,011.84, is made up of

Mr. Dorris' Salary.....	\$2,000.00
Mr. Deal's Salary.....	150.00
Mr. and Mrs. Horton and Teachers.....	1,861.84
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	\$4,011.84

The item of General Expense, \$509.91, is made up of Express, Postage, Farm Labor and small miscellaneous items. The other expenses are self-explanatory.

The statement of Receipts and Disbursements on Page 3, will show all money received, and how it was used.

The statement of Expenses and Revenues on Page 1, will show the result of operation for the period of this audit.

Yours faithfully,

TAYLOR E. CRESS,  
Certified Public Accountant  
(Tennessee)

MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE,  
November 29, 1918.

59. Prayer by Brother Searcy.

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FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

60. Called to order by the President.

61. After a brief song service, a motion to table the discussion of the report of the Committee on Education carried.

62. The report on Woman's Work was read by Mrs. C. M. Roberts, and was discussed by Mrs. J. G. Jackson.

63. Mrs. Jackson read the report of the work for the year. Motion that it be filed for information and printed in the minutes carried. After discussion by O.

J. Wade, B. V. Ferguson, T. H. Plemmons, E. Rawlings, Mrs. L. P. Coleman, J. E. Brown, Mrs. C. P. Smith, J. H. Reynolds and J. R. G. White, the report was adopted.

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WOMAN'S WORK.

Your Committee on Woman's Work submits the following:

Now that Peace has come to us, we look out upon the work with enlarged vision, but are not able to even comprehend its largeness in its entirety. The war revealed our possibilities to us. We worked, gave and prayed as we had never worked, given nor prayed before, and assuredly now that the night of terror is over and the morning of Peace breaks upon us in its purity and brightness, we will lift our eyes to the Heavenly Father who is the giver of all good gifts, with a re-consecration of intellect and heart that will result in the largest and most far-reaching work we have ever done. And we urge that our women who have worked so untiringly for all good causes, now conserve and direct their efforts along the lines of denominational channels.

As we think of our work, we feel that we have much to be grateful for in the person of our Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. G. Jackson, for surely the Lord raised her up for the work she is doing. She is loved for herself and her work in every corner of the State.

Another thing we appreciate is the space given us in the Baptist Advance; without it we could not succeed. Our work, as you know, reaches every phase of the work of the Convention. Our Mountain Schools; our Schools and Colleges; our Building and Loan Extension Fund; our Margaret Fund; our Forbes Industrial; our Scholarship Fund; our three girls in Training School; our Training School Fund; our Missions, State, Home and Foreign; all of these phases are prospering.

A new thing which we have instituted in our entire Southland is a Mission Study Course, covering six volumes, conducted as our S. S. Board conducts its Courses, with seals as badges of honor.

While the work is thus moving and developing, we realize that we can and should grow and develop faster; so as we stand at the threshold of the New Year, we ask your co-operation in all lines of work and crave your prayers that we may embrace the golden opportunity that the dawning of Peace brings us, and that we may be able to accomplish a work larger than we have ever dreamed of.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. C. M. ROBERTS, Chairman,  
B. V. FERGUSON,  
MRS. A. F. CAGLE,  
W. A. ROPER,  
MRS. H. D. MARTIN,

Committee.

THIRTIETH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S MISSION-  
ARY UNION TO THE BAPTIST STATE  
CONVENTION, 1917-1918.

In this Pearl anniversary of the organization of the Woman's Missionary Union, there is cause for thanksgiving. The Savior's "Peace on earth good will to men" is more nearly realized than at any other time in the history of the world.

The past year has been an unusual one. The whole world was in turmoil. Our loved ones—husbands, brothers, sons—were in France or preparing to go. Innumerable calls came to our women for time, for service, and for money. They were asked to sell Liberty Bonds, W. S. S. and Thrift Stamps, to knit sweaters, helmets and socks, to sew at the Red Cross rooms from one to two days a week, to attend lectures and cooking schools, and to canvass in the interest of Food Conservation; to act as registrars for women to enlist in the various war activities, at the same time, the home must be kept up, the husbands and children must be looked after, and, last but not least, God's work must not suffer.

These noble women realized, with Paul, that a great door and effectual was open and there were many adversaries (difficulties). In surmounting these difficulties they grew strong and caught a vision of service both to God and man.

The world is in a better condition now to be moulded for God, righteousness, and Baptists than ever before. Nations have been liberated politically; they must be liberated religiously. Many precious lives have been sacrificed and billions of dollars spent that the world might be made safe for democracy. Now it is the supreme task of the people of God, and especially Baptists, to make democracy safe for the world by having an intelligent, spiritual constituency. A constituency dominated by the principles of God's word.

The Woman's Missionary Union will be a mighty factor in bringing about this ideal condition through the comprehensive program of Bible and Mission Study classes, mission programs for the dissemination of information, reading of denominational tracts and periodicals, united prayer, personal service, the study of Stewardship which makes for systematic and proportionate giving, by seeking to conserve all the forces by the system of five grades—women, young women, girls, boys, and children—known as the W. M. S., Y. W. C. A., and Sunbeams. These organizations should be in every Baptist church in the State.

It is very gratifying to note the number of associations that are fostering Woman's work by allowing an expense fund for the Superintendents which, in some cases, is sufficient for a small salary and traveling expenses. This will enable the Superintendents to give more effective service and time to the work. There are many associations where there is no organized Woman's work. I do not need to tell you that in these there is the greatest destitution. When women are lifted, men and young



people are lifted with them. No community is higher than the spirit of its women for women preside over the citadel of civilization—the home.

The imperative need is for more women field workers to go to the destitute places, to follow the missionary as he evangelizes, organizing the women and young people and children for constructive work in the churches, holding institutes, showing them how to have a missionary program, and taking subscriptions to the Baptist Advance, Home and Foreign Fields, and Royal Service. Information gives inspiration and produces action. "My people perish for lack of knowledge." Dr. Mullins says: "We have learned that religion is a form of knowledge. That the spiritual universe is the greatest of all realities. That today Christ is a spiritual creator in an ongoing civilization."

Brethren and Sisters of this convention, I want you to realize more fully that through the organized work of the Woman's Missionary Union the mental and spiritual life of the women and young people will be developed, that new avenues of service are open to them, that giving becomes a spiritual service and not a hardship, that every department of the church life is helped, and the denomination greatly enriched.

Our motto is: "Saved to serve," our watchword, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness."

I now bring you a report of the work of the year just past. The financial report from the societies is incomplete on account of the Influenza epidemic the last two months, representing only about sixty per cent of the societies, notwithstanding the total amount is only \$1,385.10, under the report of last year in which three large gifts of \$1,000.00 each from Mrs. G. W. Bottoms.

MRS. J. G. JACKSON,  
Corresponding Secretary.

### GIFTS REPORTED FROM SOCIETIES.

Missions.	
City Missions .....	\$ 595.50
Associational Missions .....	1,290.04
State Missions .....	5,858.10
Home Missions	
General Fund.....	4,880.71
Church Building and Loan.....	548.32
Sunday School Bible Fund.....	25.00
Foreign Missions	
General Fund .....	5,818.68
Margaret Fund .....	59.60
W. M. U. Training School.....	1,926.23
Total to Missions.....	\$21,002.18
Education.	
Christian Education.....	\$3,025.10
Mary Forbes Home.....	91.50
Total to Education.....	3,116.60

**Benevolence.**

General Benevolence .....	\$ 4,343.29
Old Ministers Relief.....	338.01
Cash to Orphans' Home.....	2,150.83
Boxes to Orphans' Home.....	2,437.76
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Total to Benevolence.....	\$9,269.89
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Total to Missions, Education, and Benevolence.....	\$ 33,388.67

**Local Church Work.**

Church Bldg. and Furnishing.....	\$15,320.89
Church Expense .....	7,277.00
Miscellaneous .....	709.59
Total to Local Work.....	\$ 23,307.48
Grand Total .....	\$ 56,696.15

**STATISTICAL REPORT.**

Letters Written.....	1390
Letters Multigraphed .....	7349
Cards Written.....	553
Packages Mailed.....	4881
Programs Mailed.....	4485
Envelopes for Week of Prayer.....	5905
Report Blanks.....	4067
Catechism on State Missions.....	2643
Standard of Excellence.....	66
Manuals.....	45
W. M. U. Minutes.....	1039
W. M. U. Manual of Methods.....	26
Bible Studies.....	108
Year Books.....	455
Periodicals .....	543
Leaflets .....	24711
Miles Traveled.....	6490
Towns Visited.....	62
Talks Made.....	114
Conventions Attended.....	4
Assemblies Attended.....	1
Associations Attended.....	11
Bible Schools Attended.....	4
Institutes Held.....	15
Colleges Visited.....	5
Articles prepared for Mission Journals and Baptist Advance .....	52
Programs prepared.....	8
Subscriptions to Periodicals.....	64
Number of new societies, including Junior Organizations .....	51
Number societies on mailing list (W. M. S.).....	334
Number Auxiliary societies.....	156
Total number on mailing list.....	500
Number Societies represented in Financial Report.....	270

**MONEY RECEIVED BY TREASURER.**

Ft. Worth Seminary.....	\$ 2.00
Christian Education.....	641.98
Central Loan Fund.....	29.00
Mary Forbes Home.....	106.50
Margaret Fund.....	19.00
Maynard Scholarship.....	48.05
Ministerial Education.....	66.55
Ouachita Endowment.....	57.21
Mountain School Girl and Ward Children.....	144.50
W. M. U. Training School (Louisville, Ky.).....	1,926.23
Foreign Missions.....	569.96
Christmas Offering to China.....	685.38
Home Missions.....	535.20
Thank Offering to Home Missions.....	220.00
Church Building and Loan Fund.....	685.38
Emergency Pledge.....	25.00
Orphans' Home.....	435.62
Old Ministers Relief.....	119.75
State Missions.....	824.05
Sunday School Bible Fund.....	25.00
Arkansas Girls' Industrial School.....	53.00
Minute Fund.....	1,102.67
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$7,388.65</b>

**OFFICE EXPENSE.**

Office Rent.....	\$ 120.00
Postage .....	208.00
Printing and Stationery.....	118.66
Miscellaneous Supplies.....	26.25
Telephone and Telegrams.....	26.70
Sunbeam Expense.....	55.00
Y. W. A. Expense.....	31.05
Royal Ambassador Expense.....	10.00
Traveling Expense for Corresponding Secretary.....	245.00
Traveling Expenses for other workers.....	284.67
Field Worker.....	120.00
Recording Secretary for Minutes.....	25.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$1,270.33</b>

MRS. J. G. JACKSON,  
Corresponding Secretary.

ELSIE HARRISON,  
Office Secretary-Treasurer.

64. The report of the Committee on Aged Ministers' Relief was read by G. L. Boles. After discussion by G. L. Boles, H. F. Vermillion, W. D. Joyner and D. Davies, the report was adopted.

### AGED MINISTERS RELIEF.

Too long have we neglected our duty to these disabled and infirm soldiers of the cross. What we have done has been pitifully small as compared with their needs, the great sacrifices they have made, and the mighty power for good they have been. They have laid their lives on the altar of service, have bravely stood for the truth as it is in Christ Jesus. The salaries that most of them have received have afforded them no more than a bare living, and many of them have gotten less than a living. When misfortune or old age overtakes them and they must give up the income from the churches, they sometimes suffer for the necessities of life.

We should not look on what we do for these preachers as coming under the head of charity. A sense of duty should impel us to pay them in their age the salaries that were due them when they were serving the churches; and gratitude for the service they have rendered in the work of the Lord should make us ready to provide for their time of need. Often the occasional help they receive from local churches, associations, and individuals is given as if these old men were in the same class as our other objects of charity.

Last year the contributions coming to the Board for this purpose amounted to \$703.50, out of which sum 13 aged preachers were helped.

We are glad to note that the Baptists are waking up on this question, and that our State and the Southern Baptist Convention, are taking the matter in hand in a way that gives assurance that something worthy will be done.

We recommend:

1. That we make the Aged Ministers Relief one of the objects for which contributions are regularly solicited from the churches, putting it on an equality with our other benevolences.

2. That our Executive Board be instructed to take steps to ascertain the number of aged and destitute ministers in the State, and the destitute widows and orphans of deceased preachers; and that they be paid in regular monthly payments, according to their needs; these facts to be ascertained by a committee appointed by the Board to look into the matter.

3. That the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, The Southern Baptist Convention at its last session, to wit:

At Hot Springs, Arkansas, May 1918, adopted a large and comprehensive plan for the relief and care of worthy Baptist

ministers and missionaries, their widows and orphans, and created a General Board for the operation of the same, which Board is located in Dallas, Texas,

And, WHEREAS, Said plan is based on the idea of the co-operation of all the states with General Board, and that said Board will be unable to carry out said plan without such co-operation; and, whereas, said Board is now seeking the co-operation on the part of the States at the very beginning of its work:

RESOLVED, That this Convention hereby approves the action of the Southern Baptist Convention in thus seeking to solve the problem of Ministerial Relief in the way and manner aforesaid, and hereby expresses its willingness to co-operate with the General Board, and authorizes the properly accredited agents in this state to co-operate with the new General Board in the matter of raising funds and the distribution of the same.

G. L. BOLES,  
M. F. GATHRIGHT,  
Committee.

65. The report of the committee on Pastoral Support and Stewardship was read by S. W. Kendrick. After discussion by E. P. Alldredge, J. S. Compere, C. G. Elliott and S. W. Kendrick, the report was adopted.

### PASTORAL SUPPORT AND STEWARDSHIP.

We, your Committee, make the following report:

The world is in the greatest crisis ever experienced. As Baptists we are in the greatest crisis of the World's History. The starting point of all denominations outside of the Baptists, are recorded in uninspired books and periodicals, but the beginning of Baptists' existence is formed in the Word of God. As long as the World stands Baptists will be in existence and will prove to be as true to Bible principles as the needle is to the pole; yet as a whole, we need a larger training in activities. Pastoral support properly taken care of, spells success in all denominational enterprises from the weakest to the strongest of our Churches, Missions, and Missionary to the core will arouse, stimulate, enthuse, multiply, and strengthen any of our local and collective forces.

The Ministry must be properly supported in order to adequately serve. Our most backward churches, long since have realized this fact. It is necessary that a great many things be brought about in order that our scattered and weaker churches may properly support a Pastor; the ripening of fields with a pastor's home, a larger fellowship and a real faith that will not shrink.

In our towns it is much better to have one vigorous congre-

gation than more than one struggling church. In our cities all distances considered, it is better to have a few vigorous churches with Mission points properly cared for, than a large number of struggling congregations, barely existing.

Spirituality is the keynote, the pulse of all our work. Financial support follows in the wake of a consecrated live church.

A preacher overshadowed by debt is not in a position to perform the full service required of him. Proper support unties the minister's hands and wholeheartedly with faith in God and in the people the tasks are performed. The personal appearance of the servant of God as well as that of his family means a great deal. His library must be measurably supplied to be able to keep abreast of the times. His deportment should be above reproach. The members of his family should be avenues of strength to him in his work. Full time or all time given by the minister to his work to which God has called him and an adequate support given by the people served, brings success on any field.

The high cost of living and advance of 50% calls for a large increase in ministerial support. The properly paid minister has a happy and contented family. The church or churches he serves giving required support receive from him, his best service. The denominational interests will have larger growth and usefulness through a well paid ministry. The commission to go into the all the world will be earlier obeyed through a well paid ministry.

Acts 20:25.—Remember the words of the Lord Jesus that he himself said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Not giving grudgingly nor of necessity for God loves a cheerful giver. His promise is, to heap up, pack down and cause to run over, the joy of the cheerful giver. Regardless of our ability to give whether large or small amounts we are expected to be faithful in tithing and making offerings. Long ago God called through an inspired leader, "will a man rob God?" and the answer came, "wherein have we robbed Thee?" The Prophet answered, in Tithes, and offerings. The Lord expected his people of long ago to pay the tenth and then they could enjoy the blessings that follow in making offerings. Professed Christians have not measured up to their full duty as Stewards, if they have not gladly turned in the tenth of their income and joyously made offerings. You have never heard of anyone faithful in the discharge of his Christian duty in this regard but that one year after year was more contented, happy and prosperous.

The Dead sea is a living example of receiving and holding, bringing stagnation and distress, continuously receiving and never imparting. A child of God is not normal and cannot be of large service unless unselfish, as God has prospered him, he is willing to lay upon the Altar tithes and offerings. We have been given 24 hours in a day,—eight hours for work, eight hours for sleep and eight hours to serve God and our fellow men. A tenth of our time and other periods of time can be easily given to the service of God each day.

When professed Christians reach this plane of time and means rendered we will see a larger and better day in the spread of the Gospel and Christian enjoyment.

The people of the Old Testament times well expected to bring the best to be offered to the Lord of fruits of the field and of animals as tithes and offerings. Could we do less than our best as the Lord has prospered us? There is no difficulty in one finding out just what the tithe is for if it was coming in to that one the conclusion would be easily reached. "Bring ye all the tithes into my storehouse and prove me herewith, if I will not open the windows of Heaven and pour you out a blessing. The liberal soul shall be made fat. Heaped up, packed down and made to run over," is God's promise.

### ROBBING GOD IS A CRYING SIN.

Yet no one gets by without its costing him as much as the tithe and offering would amount to, for the Lord is a great collector.

Blessings individual and collective are withheld because the call for tithing is disregarded; for the call in God's word is "Bring ye all the tithes into my storehouse and prove me herewith if I will not open the windows of Heaven and pour you out a blessing." If the Jews heeded God's call, shouldn't we do even more, as a Christian people. Will a Baptist rob God? It has been stated that in 1917, Arkansas Baptists had an income not less than \$74,000,000. The tithe \$7,400,000. All gifts less than \$1,000,000. We robbed God of \$6,400,000.

Your Committee recommends that every pastor preach regularly on Stewardship, and provide for classes in which books on Stewardship may be studied, and encourage the Sunday School teachers to instill in the minds of their pupils the teaching of the Scriptures on this important subject.

Signed by your Committee,

S. W. KENDRICK,  
C. L. HAMMOCK,  
W. K. WHARTON,  
J. C. VAUGHAN,  
J. B. SEARCY,  
A. E. CHAPMAN,  
J. W. BARROW.

66. By motion, the report of the Committee on Education was taken from the table and was opened for discussion. After discussion by J. R. G. White, E. P. Alldredge, H. F. Vermillion, B. V. Ferguson, W. M. Wright and L. E. Barton (calling H. F. Vermillion to the chair), the report was adopted.

## REPORT ON SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES.

Your committee finds that during the past year the work of putting forward the cause of Christian Education in Arkansas has been attended with many difficulties. To begin with, following the payment of the indebtedness on Ouachita College, and up to the present time, Arkansas Baptists have not matured and agreed upon any definite plan for our Schools and Colleges. On the contrary, great confusion and widely different views obtain, both as to the objective which we should set before us and the plan and methods of attaining this objective. Again, when Prof. Lile was finally elected and began work, the main churches of the State were practically closed during January and February, owing to the extreme cold weather, which was at the very time set apart for the special State-wide Campaign for our Schools and Colleges. It is a matter of real gratitude to God and of sincere congratulations to Prof. Lile and to those who co-operated with him, particularly the people of Arkadelphia, therefore, that we have been able to finish the first \$100,000 endowment for Ouachita College this year, in addition to raising \$6,000 or more for the current funds of this work.

The question now comes (1) as to whether we will retain the plan and program outlined in the Executive Board meeting last December and upon which we have proceeded this year, or (2) whether we will go back to the plan outlined by the Committee on Schools and Colleges at the Jonesboro Convention, or (3) whether we will try to draft a new program, making use of all that has been found best and wisest in our past experience and former programs. The sentiment of the Baptists of the State is, apparently, almost equally divided as between these three proposed solutions of our problems. It seems best, therefore, to your Committee, and we recommend, that this matter should be referred to the meeting of the Executive Board. There are, however, certain features of our Educational work upon which there is practical agreement and which we desire to reaffirm and recommend to the brotherhood as follows:

1. That some adequate plan should be adopted to liquidate the indebtedness on the Executive Board on account of our schools and colleges. We believe the time has come to retire a large part of this indebtedness every year, and that the entire amount should be wiped out in the next two or three years.

2. That the work of finishing up the endowment of Ouachita College should be concluded not later than January 1st, 1921.

3. That the Executive Board and the Baptists of this State should make immediate and adequate provision for the education of all our young ministers and missionaries. We especially commend the idea of endowing scholarships, both in our Colleges and our Seminaries, for all worthy young men and young women who wish to devote their lives to religious work at home or abroad.



4. That the Executive Board and the Baptists of Arkansas should speed up the cause of Christian Education in general and the vital interests of our schools and of the education of our young missionaries and ministers in particular. We, therefore, recommend that the Executive Board consider employing two additional Educational Field Workers, placing one man in charge of the effort to liquidate the indebtedness on our schools, a second man in charge of the conclusion of the endowment of Ouachita College and a third man in charge of the work of securing funds for Ministerial Education.

5. That additional equipment for our Schools and Colleges, when passed upon and approved by the Executive Board, should be provided for as the Executive Board may direct, in co-operation with the schools concerned.

6. That we again pledge our heartiest support to our growing system of Mountain Schools and declare it to be the intention of Arkansas Baptists to continue these schools and increase their number, equipment and efficiency.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. ALLDREDGE,  
L. D. SUMMERS,  
L. M. SIPES,  
H. L. WINBURN,  
T. D. BROWN,  
C. D. WOOD, JR.,  
T. H. PLEMMONS,

Committee.

67. By common consent, H. F. Vermillion, superintendent of the Baptist Tuberculosis Sanatorium at El Paso, was given the privilege of speaking in behalf of that institution.

The Convention adopted the following resolution:

#### SOUTHERN BAPTIST SANATORIUM.

At the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in New Orleans, 1917, the Convention instructed the Home Mission Board to found a Sanatorium for the treatment of Tubercular people somewhere in the Southwest. The Board has acquired property at El Paso, Texas, which, with the improvements now being made, and equipment now being installed, is easily worth \$100,000.00.

The institution will be opened to patients about February 1st, 1919.

The Home Mission Board has resolved to raise and expend for additional buildings and other improvements, \$250,000.00, within five years.

Resolved, That the Arkansas Baptist Convention give its endorsement to the Southern Baptist Sanatorium; that we instruct our State Board to co-operate in raising funds for it; that our missionaries, pastors, churches, Sunday Schools, women's, young people's and children's organizations be requested to raise funds for the Sanatorium and forward the same to Superintendent H. F. Vermillion at El Paso, Texas. The funds raised for the present year to be a part of our \$50,000.00 apportionment for Home Missions; all funds so designated to be sent to Superintendent Vermillion.

68. The following resolution was introduced by D. S. Campbell and was adopted by the Convention:

Resolved, That we, the messengers to the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, render our thanks and appreciation to the pastor and membership of Immanuel Baptist Church, for their ready response in being host to the Convention, and to the Baptist Churches and pastors of Little Rock for the pains they have taken to make our sessions pleasant and worth while.

69. By motion it was ordered that the Clerk have printed and distributed 2,500 copies of the Arkansas Baptist Annual, and that he be paid \$75.00 for his services.

70. Motion carried that the President appoint a committee of five whose duty it should be to examine the text books in our schools and the character of teaching that is being practiced. The following were appointed: E. P. J. Garrott, J. S. Compere, A. H. Autry, E. P. Alldredge and D. S. Campbell.

71. By motion, the President of the Convention, the pastor of the church at Stuttgart, and the Secretary of the Executive Board were appointed as a committee on Order of Business for the next session of the Convention.

72. By motion, the President was authorized to appoint the chairmen of committees at least two weeks prior to the next meeting of the Convention.

73. The following were appointed as the Committee on Hospitals: J. R. Hobbs, John Ayers, T. H. Plemmons, J. Frank Jones, J. R. G. White, Calvin B. Waller, and W. M. Wright.

74. The report of Committee on Sunday Schools

and the report of the Sunday School Secretary were read by Joe B. Moseley and were adopted by the Convention. The reports are as follows:

### REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The Sunday School is the teaching service of the church—teaching is pre-eminent. It is truly the church studying and teaching God's Word.

Baptists have ever been in the forefront in the making of Sunday School history. Just a few facts connected with what they have done in the past and are now doing.

William Fox, a Baptist deacon, organized the first Sunday School for the study of the Bible.

William Gourney, a Baptist, started voluntary teaching in the Sunday School.

Joseph Hughes, a Baptist, organized the work of Sunday School tracts and literature.

Miss Harriet Bishop, a Baptist, organized the first Sunday School in the great Northwest of our own American territory.

John Mason Peck, a Baptist, organized the first Sunday School in St. Louis.

B. J. Jacobs, a Baptist, gave birth to the uniform lesson system.

Dr. Warren Randolph, a Baptist, was the first secretary of the International Sunday School Committee.

W. N. Hartshorn, a Baptist, succeeded Jacobs as President of that committee.

John R. Sampey, a Baptist, prepared the first course of Advanced Sunday School Lessons.

Miss Julia Dudley, a Baptist, started the Cradle Roll.

Henry J. Rowland, a Baptist, established the first Primary Department.

Marshall A. Hudson, a Baptist, began the great Baraca movement.

Miss Hudson, a Baptist, organized the Philathea Class.

Dr. B. H. DeMent, a Baptist, was the first Professor of Sunday School pedagogy in any Theological Seminary in the world.

### At Present Time.

#### Educational Department of the Sunday School Board.

Through this department the Board seeks to exert a helpful educational influence in the whole realm of Southern Baptist Sunday school work. Effort is made by the forces connected with this department to study broadly the development and movements of the larger Sunday school world and to offer to our people the best fruits of modern investigation and experience. Atten-

tion is given to the varied questions which involve Sunday school success, such as organization, housing, equipment, paraphernalia, Standards of Excellence, teaching, and especially, as basal in all of this, the training of Sunday school officers and teachers.

As chief among the agencies employed and directed by the department in the accomplishment of these ends, we may name:

- I. The Normal Courses for Teacher Training.
  1. The Convention Normal Course.
  2. The Post-Graduate Normal Course.
- II. The Certificate Courses.
  1. The Lecture Course with Certificate.
  2. The Reading Course with Certificate.
  3. The General Recognition Certificate.
- III. The Standards of Excellence.
  1. The A-1 Standard.
  2. The AA-1 Standard.
  3. Class Standards.
  4. Departmental Standards.
- IV. Standard Church and Sunday School Buildings.

### **The Normal Courses For Teacher Training.**

On June 1, 1918, our Southern Baptist Teacher Training Institution will enter upon its eighteenth year, the Institution having been founded June 1, 1901. These seventeen years have been years of accomplishment and expansion probably far surpassing the expectations of the men who launched the new enterprise. These years cover a period which constitutes a momentous era in Sunday school history. Consider for a moment the progress of the Sunday school world during this period: Sunday school attendance has increased 75 per cent; Sunday school organization has been entirely made over; the Sunday school has itself been transformed by the bringing in of hundreds of thousands of adults; a wealth of literature covering every phase of Sunday school life and work has been produced; vast publishing houses with investments running far into the millions have grown up—but it would require a volume fitly to tell the whole story.

In these wonderful transformations, Teacher Training has, of course, been a basal factor. The quiet persistent effort continued through the years to train and instruct teachers has lifted the whole Sunday school movement to a higher plane. This training of teachers must stand central in all plans for the improvement of Sunday school work.

The best fruits of such a wise educational effort affecting directly and indirectly our whole constituency of three million souls cannot be stated in figures. As giving, however, some hint

of the extent to which this work has found its way among our people and has served our Sunday school interests, the following figures may be of interest:

Total awards bestowed to April 1, 1918:

Diplomas.....	44,908
Red Seals.....	7,416
Blue Seals.....	3,657
Gold Seals.....	285
Total book awards (estimated).....	105,000
Total books distributed (estimated).....	262,448

Arkansas' teacher-training record up to November 1.

Diplomas 1,066; Red Seals 208; Blue Seals 92; Post-Graduate 23; Gold Seals 14.

Some 500 awards have been bestowed during the year, which include diplomas, seals and certificates. We are glad our Secretary is pushing this basal, fundamental work.

### Campaign For Rural Sunday School Extension.

At a conference between Dr. I. J. Van Ness, Corresponding Secretary of our Sunday School Board, and the State Sunday School Secretaries, the question of rural Sunday School extension was fully discussed. Last summer several of the states put such a campaign on with magnificent results. The Board has set aside a contingent fund of \$5,000.00 for co-operative efforts along this line. For every dollar we designate for such extension, the Board graciously matches it. We earnestly hope that our State Board will put as much as \$500.00 into this work next summer, thus enabling us to secure an additional \$500.00. Our object will be to reach the interior rural Sunday Schools with a week's training school, using our Normal Manual as the textbook.

### Sunday School Architecture.

We have long felt our handicap in not having adequate buildings for teaching purposes. We must stress this important feature of our work, especially among the country churches. Brother King, our former Church Builder, did much good along that line in the state. Dr. P. E. Burroughs has recently gotten out a book of plans entitled, "Church and Sunday School Buildings." Every pastor and Sunday School worker ought to have this book. The Board has gotten out some splendid booklets on Sunday School architecture which can be had for the asking.

### Associational and District Organization.

To do our most effective work we must thoroughly organize Associational and District Training Schools and Conventions. Have Brother Moseley send you leaflet regarding this organization and help him to make it uniform throughout the entire state.

We wish to thank both our State and Sunday School Boards for the splendid service rendered.

### Some Recommendations.

1. That Brother Moseley be given additional help as soon as possible.
2. That the campaign for rural Sunday School extension be vigorously pushed next summer, under the direction of our Sunday School Secretary.
3. That plans for Associational and District Training Schools and Conventions as outlined in leaflet gotten out by Sunday School Department be adopted throughout the state.
4. That we urge all of our schools to use their own denominational literature.
5. That one Sunday's collection be set apart each month for our orphanage.
6. That the last Sunday in June be observed as Christian Education Day and that a liberal offering be taken on that day.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. MOSELEY,  
A. D. McRAVEN,  
L. E. WADE,  
D. S. CAMPBELL,  
MRS. L. P. COLEMAN,  
C. B. MAXWELL,

Committee.

### ANNUAL REPORT OF J. B. MOSELEY, SUNDAY SCHOOL SECRETARY FOR YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 1918.

To the Executive Board, Arkansas Baptist State Convention,  
Dr. J. S. Rogers, Corresponding Secretary.

Dear Brethren: In submitting the first report of your present Secretary we desire to say that the work has moved along in great fashion. The people have been exceedingly responsive and have co-operated heartily in every way. War conditions and the influenza have handicapped us to a large extent, yet God has enabled us to make great progress.

The report of the year's work is as follows, (both Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Departments):

Days Labored (Jan. 1, to Nov. 30.)	334
Miles Traveled	9,950
Number of Lectures and Addresses Delivered	200
Convention, Assemblies and Associations Attended	13
City Training Schools	4
Institutes and Teacher Training Classes Conducted	41
Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U.'s Organized by All Forces	136
Literature Distributed (Pieces)	Over 5,000

### **City Training Schools.**

Three distinctive Sunday School Training Schools have been held during the past year. We expect to have at least six during the coming year.

### **Teacher Training.**

We have endeavored to keep our Educational Work prominently before our churches and schools. Our present record to date, is: Diplomas 1,066, Red Seals 208, Blue Seals 92, Post-Graduate 23, Gold Seals 14.

At least 500 awards were made during the year, which included diplomas, seals and certificates. The pastors, Sunday School workers, General, District and Associational Missionaries did this great work.

### **District Sunday School Conventions and Training Schools.**

Upon taking up the Sunday School work for the Arkansas Baptist Convention last January, your Secretary found no definite form of organization to reach every church in the state. After carefully and prayerfully studying the field for eleven months, we are quite confident that the state should be divided into nine districts, grouped by Associations, in which there should be an annual Convention and Training School for the workers of such districts. These meetings to be of a three-fold nature.

1. Outlining plans.
2. Studying best methods.
3. Teaching.

Such organization will aid us materially in organizing Sunday Schools in every church in the state—equipping our workers for the best service—erecting adequate buildings, etc.

### **Associational Conventions and Training Schools.**

In order to effectively prosecute our District Conventions and Training Schools, we must thoroughly organize our Associations. There should be one superintendent and at least thirteen workers, representing thirteen phases of our Sunday School work, in each Association. An annual convention or training school should be held, culminating in the Annual District Sunday School Convention and Training School. Secure leaflet from the Sunday School Department and help your Secretary to effect uniform organization in every Association.

### **Summer Assembly.**

Sunday School work had a very prominent place on the Assembly program and much constructive work was done.

We wish to thank the Secretaries of the Sunday School Board, the General, District, Associational Missionaries and other workers for the fine service rendered during the year.

We wish to thank Brother McKinney for giving us space in the Baptist Advance.

### **Rural Sunday School Campaign.**

For the past year the Baptist Sunday School Board has been laying great stress on Rural Sunday School Work, feeling that the small town and country church have been neglected and practically overlooked in all our plans. Much of its energies have been directed toward our cities, and, while there will be no less activity in that direction, an equal amount of emphasis will be given to our Country Sunday School Problem. A number of States of the Southern Baptist Convention have joined with the Sunday School Board putting on during the past Summer Rural Campaigns with splendid success. So great is this matter to the Sunday School Board's thinking that it has offered to give one dollar for every dollar the Boards of the various States will spend toward such a campaign. It is our deepest conviction that the Baptists of Arkansas should undertake such a campaign next Summer, and that our Board should accept this most liberal offer of the Baptist Sunday School Board and match every dollar it will give up to at least \$500.00, making thus available \$1,000.00 for this purpose. Carrying out such a plan for reaching every church in the Association, we would propose that we hold an Associational Sunday School Institute during the late Spring and Summer in each of the 9 District Associations co-operating with our Convention; also that a strategic leader be selected in each Association for the organization of the Campaign and Institute, to whom \$25.00 will be paid toward the direction of same. These Institutes should last five days, during which time the Convention Normal Manual and, perhaps, doctrinal books are to be taught, and lectures, conferences and round tables will be given.

In the consummation of such a plan we do not feel that a greater step could be taken, or a more practical way could be chosen for the reaching and enlisting of the greatest possible number of churches in Arkansas. To such a plan, your Secretary unequivocally commits himself, believing the greatest possible blessing and results will be accomplished.

75. The following resolution was read by E. P. Alldredge and was adopted by the Convention:

Resolved, That the Arkansas Baptist State Convention appoint a committee of three, the president of the convention to be the chairman, which shall draft and present to the next meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, a proposed amendment to the Constitution of the said Southern Baptist Convention, changing the present financial basis of representation to a numerical or church basis.

The committee is composed of L. E. Barton, C. B. Waller and T. H. Plemmons.



76 By motion, the Convention ordered that any unfinished business be referred to the Executive Board.

77. Upon motion, the Convention adjourned to meet with the First Baptist Church at Stuttgart, Arkansas, at 10 o'clock on Wednesday after the first Sunday in December, 1919.

J. O. Johnston pronounced the benediction.

## MINUTES OF LAYMEN'S AND MINISTERS CONFERENCE.

Laymen's and Ministers' conference was called to order by President Autry, Monday at 7:30 p. m.

Devotional service was led by B. L. Bridges, of Paragould.

B. L. Bridges was elected temporary secretary, and A. M. Rogers press reporter.

By motion, the temporary organization was made permanent. O. J. Wade preached the annual sermon.

### **Tuesday Morning.**

Devotional service was led by J. T. Howell.

Program committee for the next conference, as follows: A. Fox, B. V. Ferguson, J. R. Hobbs.

The following named topics were discussed: "Points of Emphasis in Preaching Today," by A. Fox. "The Chief Business of the Church and Christian," by Calvin B. Waller. "Denominationalism Now and After the War," H. L. Winburn.

### **Tuesday Afternoon.**

Dr. Hobbs being absent, L. E. Barton discussed "The Place and Power of the Denominational Press." "The Shortage of Preachers an Impending Peril to Arkansas Baptists," was discussed by J. S. Compere.

### **Tuesday Evening.**

B. V. Ferguson discussed "The Need of an Equipped Ministry at This Critical Time." E. P. Alldredge discussed "The Relation of Church Activities to War Activities."

By motion, it was ordered that the addresses of Dr. Waller, Dr. Winburne, Dr. Ferguson and Dr. Alldredge be reduced to manuscript form and given to the Baptist Advance for publication.

By motion it was ordered that henceforth all addresses of the Laymen's and Ministers' Conference be prepared for publication.

The Conference adjourned.

ALLEN HILL AUTRY, President.  
B. L. BRIDGES, Secretary.

## APPENDIX I.

### CONVENTION CHARTER.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas, That T. B. Vanhorn, John H. Carlton, P. P. Siler, T. S. N. King, L. B. Fort, John Woods, Nat G. Smith, W. R. Trawick, M. Shelby Kennard, M. W. McCraw, J. J. Harris, E. M. Harris, A. Yates, D. C. Hall, James Woods and R. M. Thrasher, and their successors in office, shall be, and the same are hereby created a corporation, under the name and style of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, and by that name and style shall have succession for 99 years, with power as a corporation, to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, acquire, hold and transfer, by deed or otherwise, real and personal property, contract and be contracted with for the use and benefit of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, and shall have and use a common seal, and do other acts appertaining to a corporation, consistent with the constitution and laws of the State.

Section II. Be it further enacted, That the domicile of said corporation shall be Princeton, Ark., and all property, real and educational and charitable purposes, for the use and benefit and subject to the direction and control of said Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

Section III. Be it further enacted, That the trustees above named shall hold their office until the next annual meeting of said Convention, when their successors shall be elected; and the board of trustees shall be elected at every annual meeting of said Convention thereafter; and on failure of the Convention to hold any annual meetings the board of trustees shall hold over until the Convention does meet and elect their successors.

Section IV. Be it further enacted, That five of said trustees, shall constitute a quorum, for the transaction of all business; the board shall elect a president, secretary and treasurer, annually; the secretary shall make an annual report of the proceedings of the board to the said Convention. The treasurer shall give bond with good security, in a sum to be fixed by the Board of Trustees, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties, and that he will account for and pay over upon the orders of the board, or to his successor in office, all moneys, choses in action, and other assets that may come to his hands as treasurer of the corporation; and the treasurer shall also make an annual report to said Convention of the State, of his accounts and financial transactions of the board of trustees.

Section V. Be it further enacted, That the board of trustees shall have power to make by-laws for their own government, subject to the direction and control of said Convention.

Approved February 12th, 1859.

See Acts 1859, pages 146, 147.

## APPENDIX II.

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### CHARTER OF CENTRAL BAPTIST COLLEGE.

#### Preamble.

Whereas, the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, at its session at Arkadelphia, Arkansas, begun and held on the 28th day of October, A. D. 1891, did appoint G. W. Bruce, J. W. Lipsey, G. W. Reeves, J. G. B. Simms, A. J. Kincaid, B. G. Manard and I. R. Hall as a temporary Board of Trustees, and instruct them to do and perform all things necessary to the completion and legal establishment of a Baptist Female College at some suitable point in the State whenever a sum sufficient in the judgment of said Board is donated and guaranteed in a manner satisfactory to said Board; and whereas a suitable location has been found at Conway, Arkansas, and accepted by the Board as such, and said Female College has been located there, and a satisfactory guaranty has been made to said Board by the citizens of Conway for the complete erection of suitable buildings for said College.

Now, therefore in order to carry out the will and direction of said Baptist State Convention and to comply with the laws of the State in the incorporation of said institution the said G. W. Bruce, J. W. Lipsey, G. W. Reeves, J. G. B. Simms, A. J. Kincaid, B. G. Manard, and I. R. Hall, with J. W. Harriss and T. M. Jackson making the requisite number under the law (nine) do associate themselves together by electing G. W. Bruce as their President, I. R. Hall as their Treasurer, and John G. B. Simms as their Secretary, and adopt the following articles of incorporation, which will be signed by their President and Secretary, and by them presented to the proper authorities for a charter, viz:

#### Articles of Incorporation.

Art. 1. This institution shall be known as "Central Baptist College," and shall be located at Conway in Faulkner County, Arkansas.

Art. 2. The object of this organization shall be to provide means for the higher education of white females under the auspices of the Baptist denomination in Arkansas.

Art. 3. The said institution, by its properly constituted authorities may confer literary degrees and grant diplomas, and be invested with such franchises and privileges as are enjoyed by first class Colleges.

Art. 4. Each member of the Board of Trustees, and of the faculty of said College shall be a member of a regular Baptist Church.

Art. 5. The Board of Trustees shall have power to fill vacancies in their number that may be caused by removal from the State, by resignation, by death or by expiration of term—provided however, the Arkansas "Baptist State Convention" may annually, at its regular meetings, nominate five persons as pos-

sible trustees of said College, and from this list of five, so selected, shall be chosen as many persons by said Board of Trustees as are required to fill vacancies.

Art. 6. The Board of Trustees shall have power to hold property, to sue and be sued, and contract in their corporate name, and do all things contemplated by the Baptist State Convention as set out in the preamble to this instrument, and as may be authorized by law.

Art. 7. The said Board shall have power to appoint their own president, secretary and treasurer, and shall adopt their own rules and by-laws for the meeting and transaction of business.

Art. 8. These articles may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the trustees at any regular meeting of said Board, provided notice thereof has been previously published at least sixty days before its submission, in the Arkansas Baptist, or some other newspaper of general circulation in this State.

Signed by us as representatives of said Board, and pursuant to the foregoing directions, at Conway, Arkansas, this 11th day of February A. D., 1892.

G. W. BRUCE,

President of Board of Trustees of "Central Baptist College."

JOHN G. B. SIMMS,

Secretary of Board.

Whereas, G. W. Bruce, J. W. Lipsey, G. W. Reeves, J. G. B. Simms, A. J. Kincaid, B. J. Manard, I. R. Hall, J. W. Harriss, and T. M. Jackson have filed in the office of Secretary of State their articles of association in compliance with the provisions of the law for the Incorporation of Institutions of Learning, with their petition for Incorporation under the name and style of the "CENTRAL BAPTIST COLLEGE," they are therefore hereby declared a body politic and corporate, by the name and style aforesaid, with all the powers, privileges and immunities granted by the law thereunto pertaining. And the said named persons are hereby constituted a Board of Trustees of said Institution and invested with all the powers prescribed by their articles of Association or by the law.

Witness our hands this 13th day of February, 1892.

(Seal)

JAMES P. EAGLE, Governor.

BEN B. CHISM, Secretary of State.

Amendments to the Charter of Central Baptist College, made and adopted at Pine Bluff, Arkansas, on November 20th, A. D., 1897, pursuant to notice previously published at least sixty days before said day, in the Arkansas Baptist, said meeting being at the regular place of transacting business by the Trustees of said College, and there being present W. T. Box, A. H. Autry, G. W. Bruce, W. H. Paslay, Giles C. Taylor, J. H. Peay, Jno. G. B.

Simms, and W. B. Peeples by Jno. G. B. Simms, proxy, being eight (8) out of the nine (9) Trustees of said Institution W. B. Peeples, the Secretary, being absent, Giles C. Taylor was elected Secretary pro tem. On motion the following were adopted as amendments to said Charter:

Art. V. Shall be amended so as to provide that "The Arkansas Baptist State Convention may annually, at its regular meetings, nominate ten(10) persons as possible Trustees of said College, and from this list of ten" etc.

And there shall be added the following to be numbered as Art. IX. The number of Trustees of said Central Baptist College shall hereafter be twenty-four (24), one-third of whom shall go out of office each year. The additional fifteen (15) to be elected at the annual meeting in June, 1898, five of whom shall be added to each class as they now exist.

The above amendments were adopted by a unanimous vote of the eight Trustees then present and were ordered filed in the Recorder's office of Faulkner County, Arkansas, for record as required by law.

State of Arkansas, County of Faulkner, ss.

I, Giles C. Taylor, do hereby certify that the annexed and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Amendments made to Central Baptist College Charter at a meeting held at Pine Bluff, Arkansas, on November 20, A. D. 1897, at which I was Secretary.

Given under my hand and the seal of said College this 24th day of November, A. D. 1897.

GILES C. TAYLOR, Secretary pro-tem.

State of Arkansas, County of Faulkner, ss.

I, Wm. B. Wilson, Clerk of the Circuit Court, and Ex-Officio Recorder for the County aforesaid, do hereby certify that the amended and foregoing instrument of writing was filed for record in my office on the 11th day of December, A. D. 1897, at 3:30 o'clock P. M., and the same is now duly recorded with the certificate thereon, in Record Book 20, page 89.

(L. S.)

In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court, this 15th day of December, A. D. 1897.

WM. B. WILSON, Clerk.

By JNO. E. CAMPBELL, D. C.

State of Arkansas, County of Faulkner, ss.

I, Wm. B. Wilson, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Ex-Officio Recorder in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby

certify that the above and foregoing is a true, full and compared copy of the Amendments to the Charter of Central Baptist College, as the same appears on record in my office in Record Book 20, at page 89.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court, this 15th day of December, 1897.

WM. B. WILSON,  
Clerk and Ex-Oficio Recorder.

By JNO. E. CAMPBELL, D. C.

(Seal)

Notation on outside of folded instrument:

### CENTRAL BAPTIST COLLEGE.

#### Amendment to Articles.

Filed in office of the Secretary of State, this 26th day of January, 1898.

ALEX C. HULL,  
Secretary of State.

By E. B. JETT, Deputy.

Recorded this 31st day of January, 1898. Record 10, Vol. 2, Articles of Association, Page 321.

ALEX C. HULL,  
Secretary of State.

By S. E. SMITH.

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### APPENDIX III.

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### CHARTER OF OUACHITA BAPTIST COLLEGE.

#### Preamble.

Whereas, the Arkansas Baptist State Convention having decided to establish a State College, did, at its session at Hope, Arkansas, begun on the 29th day of October, 1885, appoint the following named persons for the purpose of organizing and founding such a college, to-wit: J. N. Hart, J. P. Eagle, A. B. Miller, J. B. Searcy, A. J. Kincaid, B. R. Womack, J. Dunagin, J.

K. Brantley, G. W. Reaves, W. E. Atkinson, M. F. Locke, W. J. C. Sayle, A. W. Files, M. D. Early, and B. B. Izard, who were chosen to act as Trustees of said college and instructed to have the same incorporated and invested with full power of self-perpetuation by appointing their own successors, and with the complete control and management of said college, subject to the duty of reporting to the said Convention at its annual sessions the material progress, financial condition and internal operations of said college;

Therefore, the aforementioned Trustees do associate themselves together by electing J. N. Hart as their President, A. W. Files as their Treasurer and W. E. Atkinson as their Secretary, and adopt the following Articles of Incorporation, which will be signed by their President and Secretary and by them presented to the proper authorities for a charter. And,

Whereas, the said parties did on March 1, 1887, draft Articles of Incorporation and obtain a charter for the founding and conduct of such a college under the name of the OUACHITA BAPTIST COLLEGE, which has been operative ever since; and,

Whereas, the present Board of Trustees desire to amend the said charter, they present the names of F. F. Gibson, R. N. Garrett, C. C. Tobey, W. N. Adams, H. C. Fox, E. N. Hall, B. B. Bailey, W. E. Atkinson, John Ayers, G. W. Puryear, J. C. Wallis, E. P. J. Garrott, R. G. Bowers, E. E. Dudley, J. W. Cook, W. F. Dorris, T. D. Brown, J. P. Runyan, S. H. Campbell, W. J. E. Cox, W. R. Brooksher, W. T. Cone, J. H. Estes and W. R. Donham as Trustees of said Institution and have elected F. F. Gibson as their President and C. C. Tobey as their Secretary, and present the following Articles of Incorporation and ask that the same may be granted to them as a charter for said institution, to-wit:

### **Articles of Incorporation.**

Article 1. This institution shall be known as Ouachita Baptist College, and shall be located at Arkadelphia in Clark County, Arkansas.

Article 2. The object of this organization shall be to promote the cause of Christian education generally, but more especially within the State of Arkansas.

Article 3. The said institution by its properly constituted authorities, may confer literary degrees and grant diplomas, and be invested with such franchises and privileges as are enjoyed by first class colleges.

Article 4. Each member of the Board of Trustees and of the faculty of said College shall be a member of a regular Baptist Church.

Article 5. The Board of Trustees shall be composed of



twenty-four (24) members, beginning with those mentioned in the Preamble, the term of the eight (8) of whom shall expire at the meeting of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention in the year 1915; the term of the second eight (8) shall expire at the meeting of said Convention in 1916 and that of the third eight (8) shall expire at the meeting of said body in 1917; and the vacancies so caused shall hereafter be filled annually by the said Convention; provided, that any vacancy caused by death, resignation, disqualification or removal of any member from this State in the interim may be filled by the said Board of Trustees.

Article 6. The Board of Trustees shall have power to acquire and hold property, sue and be sued, and contract in their corporate name, and to do all things contemplated by the Arkansas Baptist Convention as set out in the Preamble in this instrument; provided, however, that neither the said Board of Trustees nor any one of them shall have power or authority to create or contract any debt that shall involve or encumber the corpus of the property of said institution, but the corpus of the said property shall be free from liens for any debt whatsoever hereafter contracted.

Article 7. The Board of Trustees shall have power to raise, by gifts, bequests or otherwise, funds for the building, equipping and endowing of said College.

Article 8. The said Board shall have power to appoint their own President and Secretary, and shall be allowed to adopt their own rules and by-laws for the meeting and transaction of business.

Article 9. These Articles may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the Board of Trustees at any regular meeting of said Board, provided notice thereof has been previously published at least three months before its submission; provided, however, that the 6th Article hereof can not be amended until the proposed amendment has been presented to and approved by the said Arkansas Baptist State Convention at three (3) successive sessions by a two-thirds vote.

Signed by us as representatives of the said Board and pursuant to the foregoing directions at Little Rock, Arkansas, November ....., 1914.

FINLEY F. GIBSON,

President of the Board of Trustees of Ouachita Baptist College.

Attest: C. C. TOBEY, Secretary of said Board.

Approved: J. C. FUTRALL, Chairman Committee on Charters, State Board of Education.

December 16, 1914.

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

State of Arkansas, County of \_\_\_\_\_.

**Certificate of Incorporation.**

I, George B. Cook, State Superintendent of Public Instruction in and for the State of Arkansas and Ex-Officio Chairman of the State Board of Education for said State, hereby certify that the foregoing charter and articles of Association for the Ouachita Baptist College of Arkadelphia are presented to the State Board of Education and said charter was on the seventeenth day of December, 1914, granted by the said State Board of Education, and that in pursuance of section 924 of Kirby's Digest of the laws of said State and of section 13 of Act N. 431 of the General Assembly of the said State, approved June 1st, 1911, and of the action of the State Board of Education, said Ouachita Baptist College, is constituted a body corporate, and its Board of Control is invested with all the powers prescribed in said charter.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name as Chairman of said State Board of Education this 17th day of December, 1914.

GEO. B. COOK.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Chairman of the State Board of Education.

Attest: B. W. TORREYSON, Secretary State Board of Education.  
Amended charter (Seal.)

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